

THE WEATHER.

Fair, continued cold Friday; Saturday fair, not so cold in west portion; light to moderate east to southeast winds.

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THE HOOKWORM
SLIGHT IN ARMY

Physicians Believe it Mostly
Confined to Southern
Soldiers.

SURGEON GENERAL'S REPORT

Statement as to Affect of the Disease
and Southern Recruits—North-
ern Men Seem Stronger
Soldiers.

Washington, Dec. 9.—"In spite of its vast economic importance in the Southern States, the hookworm disease is believed not to affect greatly the health and efficiency of the army."

That is the conclusion Surgeon General Torney, of the army, has reached, after a more or less extensive investigation into the prevalence and severity of the disease, as it appears in the army. He makes the disease the subject of consideration in his annual report, submitted to the Secretary of War today.

All the observers have noted, says General Torney, that in many cases the infection has no evident effect upon the health or appearance of the individual.

The duration of the disease was one of the features which the military investigators sought to bring out. Observations made by Major Chamberlain, at Jackson Barracks, Miss., showed that out of 44 Southern bred recruits 68 per cent. were infected; out of 57 Southern bred soldiers in first enlistment 54 per cent. were infected; and out of 34 Southern bred soldiers in second, or subsequent enlistment, only 15 per cent. were infected.

In an examination of Southern recruits at Fort Slocum, New York, and at Jackson Barracks, by Capt. Siler and Major Chamberlain, 139 infections were found in 168 men examined. "Both Capt. Siler and Major Chamberlain agree that the physique of both the Southern recruits is less vigorous and robust," says the report, "than is the case with those from other parts of the country and they attribute this to the injurious influence of this infection in childhood and adolescence. The latter shows that the absolute weight of Southern men is less than those from the North (although the former are taller) and that the weight of the infected individuals is less than that of these not infected."

General Torney, however, says that the statistics given by Major Chamberlain deal with new members too small for safe deductions. "The heights and weights of Southern recruits given by are above the average of white recruits, for the whole army for the whole year and the fact that the weight to height proportion is less than the Northern recruits may be due to racial or other causes, among which a less admixture of recent European immigrants may be a factor. A further study of this question with large numbers will prove of interest."

INDICTED FOR SMUGGLING.

Eighteen Alleged to Have Violated the
Laws Regarding Chinese.
Brownsville, Texas, Dec. 9.—In the Federal District Court here today 18 indictments for conspiracy to smuggle Chinese into this country in violation of the Chinese exclusion law were returned by the grand jury. Investigation revealed a concerted plan all along the Gulf coast for importing Chinese.

The leader is said to be Chew Dick Fong, alias Jim Lee, of Galveston. Two of those indicted are Americans, S. B. Smith, of Gulfport, Miss., and Maurice Green, of Beaumont, Texas. Several Greeks and Russians, residents of New Orleans, and one woman, Laura Livaudais, alias Emma Adams, also of New Orleans, were among those indicted.

The remainder of the indictments were issued against Chinese, the number including Chew Hong Oey, a wealthy merchant of New York, who is said to have furnished money for the smugglers. All but three indicted parties are under arrest. The case will be tried at the January term of the Federal court in Galveston.

ARMED POSSES SEARCHING.

Determined to Kill Negro Who Attacked
Small Girl.

Columbus, Ga., Dec. 9.—Poses of determined men and boys who have all day been searching for an unknown negro who attempted to criminally assault Catherine Trammell, a 14-year-old white girl here this morning, returned tonight without capturing the negro. A sheriff's posse with bloodhounds is keeping up the hunt tonight.

The little girl was on her way to school in the outskirts of this city and when in a sparsely settled neighborhood, the negro seized her and dragged her about 100 yards from the street into a nearby wood. Her cries, however, frightened him away before he accomplished his purpose. As soon as the attempt became known hundreds of citizens joined the officers in their search for the negro and had he been caught a lynching would have resulted.

SHOW JEALOUSY OF BROKAW

Young Millionaire Acted Insanely Toward His Wife—Dr. Chapman
Mentioned in the Case—
Evidence of Plaintiff.

New York, Dec. 9.—W. Gould Brokaw's telegraphic admonishment to his wife to be careful whom she kissed, crimsoned her cheek and brought tears to her eyes today as it was read in the Supreme Court at Mineola, L. I.

Yet this telegram was introduced by her counsel with others in an attempt to show the young millionaire's insane jealousy and unreasonableness as justifying the separation for which Mrs. Brokaw is suing, with \$60,000 a year alimony.

The telegram was from Brokaw at High Point, N. C., to his wife at their place at Great Neck, L. I., and read as follows:

"You know what I told you about kissing the doctor. When he attempts to kiss you again tell him what you have promised your husband. You know if he kisses you I should not want to kiss you again."

Mrs. Brokaw hung her head as the message was read and blushed furiously. By agreement the name of the doctor was not read in court.

Mrs. Brokaw had previously told of a luncheon at the Hotel St. Regis, at which a Doctor Chapman was a guest and which her husband, she testified, had interrupted and made a scene, accusing her of wanting to elope with the doctor. The doctor on that occasion, she said, had threatened to have Brokaw arrested for using unbecoming language.

Incidents of the honeymoon through France as related by the plaintiff, otherwise unheeded today's proceedings. Smashing doors to get in her room, excessive drinking and a cheerful invitation of his to "come and look at a new gun and some cartridges I have for you" were only a few of the alleged occurrences, she testified, that made her life miserable.

Telegrams and letters between husband and wife, as introduced by Mrs. Brokaw's counsel, occupied a prominent part of today's session. The entire bundle as exhibited represented about \$10,000 in telegraph tolls, it was estimated. The defendant's lawyer volunteered the explanation that Mr. Brokaw sent some times 20 to 30 messages a day, and that his wife replied with 200 and 300 word messages, which she marked "collect". Some of the testimony concerning the trip in France was as follows:

"At Tours, after he had taken six or possibly more drinks, and after I had asked him not to act so, he abused me frightfully, testified Mrs. Brokaw. He called me worse names than ever before and told me to get out of the car, as it belonged to him. I went to my room. He came up and forced me to go down to the dining room. A physician sat near by. Then he leaned over and said in a voice heard by several diners, 'I want you to stop looking at that man.'"

"I begged him not to make a scene over nothing, and when he continued I went to my room. I became very ill. I locked my door and refused to let him into my room. Then he broke in the door. He said he was boss there; that I would restore to Paris early in the morning with him, regardless of my illness."

Other narratives were told by the witness, culminating, she said, in his departing and leaving her without funds with the remark that she could get back to America "any way she could". They subsequently met in Paris, however.

OCEY SNEAD'S MOTHER.

Believed to be in Virginia But Cannot
be Located.

Roanoke, Va., Dec. 9.—That Mrs. Caroline Martin, mother of Mrs. Ocey Snead, victim of the Orange, N. J., bath tub mystery is hiding in the home of a sister near Christiansburg, Va., is believed by persons familiar with the case. Mrs. Martin was supposed to have left Christiansburg three weeks ago for Roanoke, but it is said she did not buy a railroad ticket and was not seen to board the train. It is said that after reaching the railroad station on the night of her disappearance she hired a conveyance and went into the country where she has remained ever since. Efforts to search the old Montgomery Female Academy at Christiansburg, in which Mrs. Martin and Mrs. Wardlaw formerly lived, have been unsuccessful.

MURDERED THE SHERIFF.

Whole Town in Ohio Terror-Stricken
by a Maniac.

Shreve, O., Dec. 9.—Late tonight a posse of armed citizens after a day's search, was still beating the woods in the vicinity of Holmesville in search of Oscar E. Boley, a maniac who, while resisting arrest, murdered Sheriff Jacob Bell, of Holmes county this morning at Big Prairie, south of this town.

Word has been sent to farmers throughout the countryside to protect themselves against possible murderous assault by the man and many have barricaded their doors and windows. Boley has a shot gun and 24 shells and further violence is feared. He was last seen entering the woods near Holmesville.

TWO KILLED BY TRAIN.

Fatal Accident on Railroad Near Big
Stone Gap, Va.

Bristol, Tenn., Dec. 9.—Leonard Anderson, of Blackstone, Va., J. G. Gwyn, of Middlesboro, Ky. were run down and killed by an engine on the Big Stone Gap and Powell Valley Railroad near Big Stone Gap, Va., last night. They were identified by papers on their persons.

CONGRESS TO ACT
FOR WATERWAYS

Taft Assures Delegation That
Important Steps Will
be Taken.

POLICY OF THE IMPROVEMENT

Discussed by Rivers and Harbors Delegates Yesterday—Committees
From New Orleans and
Ohio Visit Taft.

Washington, Dec. 9.—Assurances that steps of an important character toward the development of a system of waterways improvement in the heart of the country would be taken by the present Congress, were given by President Taft to delegations which he received in the East Room of the White House this afternoon.

To perhaps 300 committee men representing the Ohio Valley Improvement Association the President promised to bring what influence he could in favor of the improvement of the Ohio, and later to the committee of 500 from the New Orleans "Lakes to Gulf Deep Waterways" convention he said that "something is doing" and that the interest of those in Congress who heretofore have turned a cold shoulder to the entire subject of waterway improvement had been aroused.

Mr. Taft expressed regret that his remarks before the Rivers and Harbors Congress yesterday had cast a "wet blanket" over the convention, and said that he had only intended to help the gathering along by pointing out the practical method of accomplishing the object desired.

"When you approach Congress with proposals for the issuance of bonds," argued the President, "you are going to arouse great opposition, which will rise up and demand, 'why?' and they will demand an answer, not on general expressions, not on resounding oratory, but they will want facts and estimates and a statement of something definitely useful into which they are going to put their money which they may even have to borrow in order to carry through the enterprise."

The Ohio Delegation.
The object of the visit of the Ohio Valley delegation was to enlist the President's support for a nine foot channel from Pittsburg to Cairo all the year round.

Four Governors and two ex-Governors headed the delegation, which had been charged by the New Orleans convention to present to the President resolutions asking for a 14-foot channel for the Mississippi.

There were Governors Angel, South Carolina; Sanders, Louisiana; Deneen, Illinois; Hadley, Tennessee, and former Governors Francis, Missouri, and McMillan, Tennessee.

Mr. Taft said he had been assured by members of committees which have such legislation in charge that the whole matter of waterway improvement would receive earnest consideration during the present session.

Afterwards the committee called upon Secretary of War Dickson and Governor Hadley presented to him resolutions similar to those left at the White House. Mr. Dickson assured his visitors that he was heartily in sympathy with any movement for the improvement of the Mississippi river.

Earlier in the day the committee paid visits to Vice-President Sherman, Speaker Cannon, Senators Frye, of the Senate Committee on Commerce and Representative Alexander, of New York, chairman of the House Rivers and Harbors Committee. From none of these leaders did the committee receive much encouragement.

Waterways Congress.
An experience meeting in which more than a dozen delegates to the convention of the National Rivers and Harbors Congress told what they thought about the policy of improving the waterways of the United States and the methods that should be pursued, in bringing about the end desired by all, characterized the meeting of that organization today.

One of the strongest pleas for National improvement of the flowing highways of the Nation was made by Secretary Nagel of the Department of Commerce and Labor, who declared that the very nature of the Interstate navigation made the National government responsible for providing suitable water courses for carrying on commerce. Neither private enterprise nor State appropriations would be permitted to improve these highways of the Nation, he said, so that if they were to be looked after at all the general government would have to do it.

Without making a distinct reference to the issuance of bonds for the purpose of doing this work he suggested that whatever was to be done should be accomplished in a way to assure the prompt completion of a comprehensive project.

Representative J. Hampton Moore, president of the Atlantic Deep Waterways Convention, stirred up an unusual degree of enthusiasm. He showed how the East has been outstripped by the middle and far West in transportation facilities which during the car shortage of 1906 and 1907 caused the people of the East to awaken to the need of the inland passage along the Atlantic coast as a means of placing the industries there more nearly upon an equality with those of the West.

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MISSIONS THEME
OF CONVENTION

Third Day of Great Gathering
of Baptists at Wades-
boro, N. C.

EVANGELIZATION OF WORLD

Dr. Gray, Home Mission Secretary,
Not Pleased With Feature of
Laymen's Movement—Pro-
ceedings in Detail.

(Special Star Correspondence.)
Wadesboro, N. C., Dec. 9.—Every report that has been submitted during the Baptist State Convention shows that the denomination is making rapid advancement in every phase of its work. The figures show that the white Baptists of North Carolina number 217,000 and a membership in the Sunday Schools of 154,000, a net gain of 50,000 Sunday School pupils within the past five years.

This convention was the first in the Southern Baptist Convention to engage a secretary and do Sunday School field work. In the ratio of Sunday School pupils to church membership, this convention is near the lead in the entire Southern Convention. Until within the past few years the Baptist denomination was regarded as a "prayer" convention, the denominations financially in North Carolina. This condition does not exist today, however, and much of the wealth of the State is controlled by Baptists. Referring to this fact, Rev. Livingston Johnston, in the report of the Board of Missions and Sunday Schools said: "As a denomination, we stand a fairer ground today than we ever occupied before and yet we are just coming into our own. We have grown to be a great people, great in numbers, in wealth, in influence. It is hard for us to conceive of any undertaking that we could not accomplish by united and earnest effort. Our ability lays upon us a tremendous responsibility. The stewardship of wealth has come to be a matter of serious concern to the Baptists of North Carolina and to it we should give earnest consideration. We have been accustomed to plead our poverty as an excuse for not doing, but now we should pray to be saved from the perils of prosperity. If we give the Lord his part, he will give us the rest and what a mighty force we will become in extending the Kingdom of our Lord on earth."

It is estimated from the figures presented that the convention this year has contributed \$136,885.33 to all purposes combined. Today's session of the convention opened with a service of prayer and praise, the service continuing from 9 to 9:30 o'clock and Rev. J. D. Hart conducting the same. First Vice President T. M. Arrington called the convention to order and after a prayer, minutes of the sessions of yesterday were read and approved. The first special order before the convention this morning was the statement of the Record, and the consideration of the same. Archibald Johnston read the report and then spoke to it. In his remarks Mr. Johnston spoke in the highest terms of the work of Rev. H. C. Moore, editor of the paper, and of Rev. J. S. Farmer, business manager. Mr. Johnston began his appeal for the paper with the statement that the Record occupies a place in the convention and among the Baptists throughout North Carolina that no other paper can fill. He urged his hearers when they had anything mean to say say it to the business manager and not tell it to others, because he said, denominational family quarrels are the means of the modesty of the Record.

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OUTLINES.

Reports declared to be true have been given out in New York to the effect that the North Pole records of Dr. Frederick Cook and his party, the expedition which he refused to serve him any longer and his whereabouts remains a mystery—President Taft yesterday assured committee men from New Orleans and Ohio who called on him during the day in the interest in waterways that some steps of an important character for waterway improvement will be taken by the present Congress.

Surgeon General Torney in a report to the War Department states that the hookworm disease is comparatively slight in the army and most of those affected are Southern soldiers—Evidence of a most embarrassing nature to Mrs. Brokaw was introduced in her divorce suit in New York yesterday—According to Tax Rickard, promoter of the Jeffries-Johnson fight, the mill will be pulled off at Salt Lake City—The Southern Railway shops at Columbia, S. C., were partly destroyed by fire yesterday—New York markets: Money on call firm 4 1/2 to 5 per cent., ruling rate 4 3/4, closing bid 4 3/4, offered at 4 7/8; cotton spot quiet; middling uplands 14.94, middling 15.20; flour firm with a small scattering trade; wheat spot firm No. 2 red 1.26 nominal domestic elevator, No. 2 red 1.25 1/2 nominal f. o. b. afloat; corn spot firm, No. 2 elevator 72, domestic 72 1/2 delivered and 66 1/2 f. o. b. afloat all nominal; oats spot firm, No. 2 32 to 32 1/2 nominal; turpentine steady, rosin quiet.

ESTRADA FORCES
READY FOR WAR

Decisive Battle in Nicaragua
Expected Within a
Few Days.

ZALAYA'S TROOPS STARVING

Report That United States Has De-
manded Resignation of Nicaraguan
President—Small Skirmishes Among Soldiers.

Bluefields, Nicaragua, Dec. 9.—With the expected battle at Rama between the forces of General Estrada and of President Zalaya, under command of General Oseja, imminent, Estrada's position at Rama is now considered impregnable.

Meanwhile he has sent detachments into the mountains west of Rama, which have repeatedly met the government troops in small skirmishes. Always the provisionals retreated toward Rama, laying waste to country as they retired and leaving Oseja nothing with which to feed his men. It was not Estrada's policy to contest the roads to Rama, but to bring on a general engagement at that point. With Managua 150 miles away and the country between a waste, he calculates that Oseja would be compelled to risk an attack or to starve.

His plans seem to have worked well. Oseja's forces, half starved, foot sore and sick from the terrible tramp over the mountains, are converging in front of Rama. Estrada, confident, assured, awaits the attacks behind his fortifications. At Bluefields 1,000 reinforcements await his call, the trip by the Rama river requiring but seven hours.

Whether Oseja has been strengthened by men from Managua is not known definitely. Spies have brought word to the opposing army that Zalaya is afraid to risk more men, fearing that they will desert to Estrada. He has soldiers and equipment in abundance at Managua, but it is said that he does not trust his generals. Oseja it is said, is an exception. His men, as a reward of victory, have been promised all the loot that they can collect in two days at Rama.

Death to Americans.
Galveston, Texas, Dec. 9.—A cablegram to the Playmate from Panama says:

"Death to Americans." Is the order issued to the Nicaraguan government's army by President Zalaya. Positive information was received here today more than a month ago Zalaya issued instructions to his military commanders to shoot every American caught fighting in army of the revolutionists. Some of Zalaya's military officers protested against this order and warned him that trouble with the United States would result.

"To hell with the Gringos!" Zalaya replied, "Shoot every one you can capture."

The gunboat Vicksburg which has been stationed at Carinto ever since Nicaraguan trouble assumed an acute stage, has been reinforced and there are now four American warships in the Corinto harbor.

Demanding Zalaya's Resignation.
London, Dec. 9.—The United States government has demanded formally, the resignation of President Zalaya, of Nicaragua, according to a cablegram from Nicaragua received by a business house today. The message adds that this information was communicated by Zalaya himself, who said that his resignation to the United States would take effect likely at the end of December.

ATTORNEY GENERAL ELECT.

Requisition for His Return to West
Virginia to Answer Charge.

Charleston, W. Va., Dec. 9.—Governor Glascock today issued a requisition on the Governor of Virginia for the return to Welch, W. Va., of Samuel Williams, attorney general-elect of Virginia, for trial at Welch on a charge of malicious assault.

Richmond, Va., Dec. 9.—Governor Swann declined tonight to discuss the requisition made by the Governor of West Virginia for Attorney General-elect Williams, of this State, saying that the requisition has not been received and that he would not express himself under the circumstances.

SOUTH'S FINEST SCHOOL.

Richmond's New High School Formally
Opened Yesterday.

Richmond, Va., Dec. 9.—Richmond's new half million dollar high school was dedicated today with appropriate ceremonies, this morning, afternoon and tonight. It is pronounced the largest, finest and best equipped school building in the South. It is called the John Marshall High School, the former residence of the great chief justice standing on a corner of the block which it occupies and being carefully preserved.

LEAVES CANAL COMMISSION.

Senator Blackburn of Kentucky Tenders
His Resignation.

Washington, Dec. 9.—The resignation of former Senator J. C. Blackburn, of Kentucky, as a member of the Isthmian Canal Commission, has been accepted by President Taft, effective December 14th. This announcement was made at the War Department today.

RALEIGH OUT OF THE LEAGUE

Throws Up Her Franchise Because
Durham Can't Be Admitted—W.
G. Sale Elected President.
The Situation Now.

(Special Star Telegram.)
Raleigh, N. C., Dec. 9.—At a special meeting of the directors of the Eastern Carolina Baseball League here tonight, Raleigh withdrew from the league because Durham would not come in unless a six-team league was assured.

Tonight the Raleigh franchise was turned over to the other teams represented, Fayetteville, Rocky Mount and Wilmington, and these hope to induce Goldsboro and Wilson to retain membership and add some other good Eastern Carolina town so as to give a six-team league. Raleigh's withdrawal brought about the resignation of Dr. Joel Whitaker as president of the league, and Mr. W. G. Sale, of Wilmington, was elected in his stead. Representatives of teams here were R. H. Gwaltney, Wilmington; J. W. Mason, Rocky Mount; Capt. G. H. Napier, Fayetteville; L. M. Snead, Durham; R. D. Godwin, Raleigh.

As to Raleigh's action, the position of the management of the local association is that in order to have a satisfactory season here it will be necessary to provide a new athletic field, and this could not be done and the necessary bonds floated unless Durham is in the league, owing to the necessary drain on the revenue for traveling expenses.

It is believed here that the outcome of the situation will be the addition of Raleigh and Durham to the Carolina League. It is not thought likely the Raleigh fans will be content to be without standard league ball next season.

PHASES OF SNEAD MYSTERY

Family Declare They have Been
Objects of Undeserved Persecution.

New York, Dec. 9.—Insisting that they are the objects of undeserved persecution, the members of the Wardlaw and Martin families today were still disinclined to clarify appreciably the deep mystery which attaches to the death of one of their number, Ocey Wardlaw Martin Snead, victim of the East Orange bath tub tragedy. Miss Virginia Wardlaw, aunt of Ocey Snead, is still awaiting a hearing on a charge of murdering her niece.

The absence of Mrs. Caroline B. Martin, mother of the victim and of the young woman's husband, Fletcher Snead, is still unexplained. Today witnesses appeared in the persons of two Brooklyn business men, who declared that they saw Fletcher Snead in Brooklyn as recently as October last. His family has let it be understood that he died last Summer.

As tending to controvert the theory that there was ill treatment of either Fletcher Snead or his wife by members of their families, letters written by Virginia Wardlaw to her nephew, Fletcher, in 1908, were given publicly today. The missives are filled with endearing phrases from aunt to nephew.

VAIL FAVORS MONOPOLY

President of Bell Company Tells of the
Big Merger.

New York, Dec. 9.—A little but not a great deal of the inside of the recent absorption of the Western Union Telegraph Company by the American Telephone and Telegraph Company (the Bell interests) came out today in the testimony of Theodore N. Vail, president of the American Telephone and Telegraph Company before the legislative inquiry underway in this city. Initially Mr. Vail testified with a smile that he favored a monopoly.

Concerning the purchase of the Western Union stock from the Goulds, Mr. Vail said: "There were purchased about 300,000 shares of a par value of \$30,000,000 out of a total Western Union stock issue of about 1,000,000,000. I do not care to state the price."

He repeated what has already been announced that the two companies are not to be merged to operation and management with the exception of joint wires where practicable.

When he was questioned concerning the advisability of government regulation of telegraphs and telephones, State or National, Mr. Vail replied simply "That depended on the regulation."

FIGHT TO SALT LAKE CITY

Promoter of Jeffries-Johnson Bout
Makes a Statement.

Boston, Mass., Dec. 9.—"The Jeffries-Johnson bout will be held in Salt Lake City and it will be no fake," was Tex Rickard's positive declaration here today.

"I am sick of this fake talk," said Rickard "and I will give anyone \$5,000 if they will show me anything crooked in the arrangements."

"I know the day before the bids were opened that Johnson would stand by me and that Jeffries would be with Jack Gleason, so we got together and talked the matter over and came to an understanding. Coffroth told Gleason to go ahead and come in with me. That let Coffroth out of the whole affair and I want the public to know he has nothing to do with it. I will not have to fix any official in Salt Lake in order to pull the bout off there."

"The bankers, brokers and business men of the city want me to hold it there and have given me all the assurance necessary that it will not be interfered with. The Salt Palace where the bout will be held with some alterations will hold about 30,000 people."

ADVERTISING.

When a man tells you it does not pay to advertise, just size up his business and figure how much his opinion is worth.

SAY COOK "FALKED"
HIS OBSERVATIONS

New York Sea Captain and
Insurance Man File
Affidavits.

A N. Y. TIMES "EXPOSURE"

Say They Manufactured Data for Ex-
plorer to Present to University of
Investigation—The Reward.

(Special to Columbia State.)
New York, Dec. 9.—The New York Times presents today the remarkable narratives of two men, made under oath, declaring that they were employed by Dr. Frederick A. Cook to fabricate astronomical and other observations for submission to the University of Copenhagen, which is about to pass upon Dr. Cook's assertion that he discovered the North Pole on April 21st, 1908. These men are George H. Dunkle, an insurance broker, of 31 Nassau street, New York, and Capt. August Wedel Loose, a sea captain, of 437 Thirteenth street, Brooklyn. For their labors they were to have received jointly from Dr. Cook \$4,000 with an additional bonus of \$500 to Capt. Loose upon the acceptance of the records by the University of Copenhagen. They say that Dr. Cook had paid them only \$260 when he disappeared on the eve of the dispatch of his records to Copenhagen two weeks ago and his failure to pay the sum remaining due them they freely acknowledge to be their motive for coming forward with the story.

Accompanying these narratives appear copies of the affidavits of Capt. Loose and Dunkle affirming their accuracy, facsimile of Dr. Cook's instructions to Capt. Loose, in Cook's handwriting, in possession of the Times and the affidavits of Capt. Loose swearing to the accuracy of the same. The translation of this memoranda by Dr. Cook is as follows:

"Svarveag, star March 17-18; strong wind—haze."

"March 30—Observations latitude and longitude; daily observations to April 23."

The Times also prints the following list under the heading, "What Capt. Loose Says He Supplied to Dr. Cook."

1. Twenty-four altitudes for latitude sights.

2. One chart covering route from Svarveag to the Pole, with all of Dr. Cook's assumed positions marked upon it.

3. Complete observations for time and chronometer rate, as they might have been taken by stars at Anorotok and Svarveag, probably 30 in all.

4. Diagrams for compass error and correction at different points.

5. Calculations for longitude, about 20 in all.

6. Sixteen observations as they could have been taken at the North Pole, in two sets, eight with depression of Pole considered and eight with depression ignored.

7. Bowditch's complete nautical tables.

8. Anfinnsen's tables for correction of altitudes of heavenly bodies.

9. American nautical almanac for several years.

10. Lloyd's calendar of 1908.

11. Three admiralty charts, covering Smith sound and the polar regions, Nos. 260, 274 and 275.

12. One Bliss almanac of 1908.

13. One Negus almanac, 1907.

The Times has followed the steps described by these two men and has verified their goings and comings, their purchases of books and charts and the fact of their intimate relations with Dr. Cook. Whether the "observations" calculated by Capt. Loose and supplied, as he alleges, to Dr. Cook, were adopted by the latter and made a part of his report to the University of Copenhagen, it is, of course, impossible to say without a comparison of Capt. Loose's narrative with that report. The Times has communicated to the University of Copenhagen the main facts of Capt. Loose's story and Mr. Dunkle's and offered to supply to the university the corroborative documents it has received from these two men. One of these purports to be Dr. Cook's memorandum directing the preparation of observations from Svarveag all the way to the pole.

In the narrative of Capt. Loose he frankly expresses his scorn of Dr. Cook's claims, laughs at his ignorance of the simplest essentials for accurate observations in the Arctic regions and describes at length how, working backward from the pole, he calculated observations that would fit in with Cook's narrative and coached him on the necessary modifications of the latter. As, for example, that he must be sure to record that he arose before 4:15 o'clock on a certain morning, because it was at that hour that a certain star, mentioned in one of Loose's calculations, would be visible. Mr. Dunkle describes the inception of the enterprise; how from the newspapers they gathered that Dr. Cook was in deep water and inferred that he would be glad to pay for help; how Dunkle got John R. Bradley, Cook's backer, to introduce him; how the subject was tied up delicately and the bargain finally struck and carried out, and how, at last, Dr. Cook disappeared.

after accepting their work and paying only \$260 for it.

Both Capt. Loose and Mr. Dunkle tell of a visit to the shop of John Billes & Co., at 128 Front street, a few days after the captain's talk with the explorer at the Wardlord and of purchasing for Dr. Cook various nautical and astronomical works, besides three charts of Smith sound and the polar regions—Robert Flight, who said the books and charts, told a reporter of the Times that he recalled the visit and that the purchases were made as described. The charts sold, Mr. Flight said, were numbered 260, 274 and 275. He knew Capt. Loose intimately and recalled having asked him when the charts were bought if the captain intended going to the North Pole.

"And from what I have known of the captain's experience as a navigator and his acquaintance with everything pertaining to observations," said Mr. Flight, "I would bet that if any one could find his way to the pole, Capt. Loose is that man."

Capt. Loose, in his statement, says he stayed at the Gramatan hotel from November 10th to November 19th, working out observations for Dr. Cook, and that he and the doctor had frequent conferences. Mr. Dunkle went with him on November 18th, leaving the next day. He and the captain had connecting rooms, Nos. 126 and 128. Mr. Dunkle registered for them. The hotel register shows the arrival on November 16th of George H. Dunkle and "Andrew H. Lewis," the fictitious name agreed upon for Capt. Loose. They were assigned to rooms 126 and 128.

Capt. Loose says he remained secluded in his room during his stay at the hotel so as to run no chance of having the doctor found out. All the time he worked hard on his calculations, giving them to Dr. Cook as they were completed.

On the last day of his stay at the hotel, Capt. Loose says, he gave Dr. Cook the final set of observations he had made for him and the doctor thanked him profusely, declaring that he now felt confident of his success. He had been in command of many sea going vessels.

Lewis Nixon, the ship builder, who vouches for Capt. Loose's competence as a navigator, put the captain in command of the torpedo boat Gregory, built for the Russian government, when it was taken from the ship yards in the waters of the North Atlantic. Mr. Nixon declares that Capt. Loose is, in his estimation, one of the "most competent, efficient and accurate of navigators."

His Lawyer Deserts Him.
(By Associated Press.)
New York, Dec. 9.—Dr. Frederick A. Cook's personal lawyer, Henry Wellington Wick, has severed relations with his client, Mr. Wick refused tonight to confirm or deny his withdrawal, but it can be affirmed on competent authority that, after a consultation with his partners, Mr. Wick wrote Dr. Cook so long ago as November 30th that he must beg him to seek legal advice elsewhere.

"I haven't the remotest idea," said Mr. Wick tonight, "where Dr. Cook is keeping himself or why he persists in seclusion when his presence is vital to his own interests and his friends. Personally, I incline to the belief he is abroad."

"One thing, however, is certain—there is agreement tonight for the first time among those who have always believed that Dr. Cook discovered the North Pole, those who have never believed and those who have failed to be informed on indiscreet ed authority. Partisans and sceptics alike now concede certain cardinal facts which admit of no argument namely:

"Dr. Cook has sent his records to the University of Copenhagen for the inspection of a commission. Two men—one a broker, who says he acted as a go-between and one a skilled navigator—have sworn that they supplied the doctor with a complete set of fabricated observations, covering his trip northward step by step to the pole, in agreement with the narrative as universally published. The sworn statements carry within themselves their own proof or disproof.

"That is to say, if the papers now in the hands of the University of Copenhagen contain any considerable portion of the obreal observations which Capt. August Loose says he worked out 'by the reverse route' no farther north than the Gramatan Inn in Bronxville, N. Y., the deduction is that Dr. Cook felt no confidence in the adequacy of his own proofs.

"If, on the contrary the Copenhagen records show that Dr. Cook made no evident use of the calculations, Capt. Loose says he supplied, it would be fair to assume that he accepted them only as checks on his own data. The inquiry will then revert to its first status: Are the original observations of Dr. Cook sufficient?"

Asked flatly if he had or had not withdrawn from Dr. Cook's affairs, Mr. Wick said: "This is not the time for an announcement. It might be thought I had deserted Dr. Cook in his need. He may be delirious in a sanitarium or on the ocean unable to defend himself."

A close friend of Mr. Wick reiterated, however, that Mr. Wick had long ago decided to close dealings with a client, who did not keep his counsel informed of his intentions or movements.

Seems to Be Lost.
"To this phase of the situation, Mr. Wick made this contribution: 'Dr. Cook,' he said, 'has disappeared of his own volition and not by the action of his friends. I last heard from him by telephone on Tuesday, November 23rd. I had seen him personally two days before.

"Last night Dr. Cook's friend, Chas. Wake, confessed to me that he hadn't the faintest idea where the doctor now is and that he hadn't heard from him since Tuesday, November 24th.

"My very urgent letters to the doctor have remained unanswered, although I demanded a reply from any man solicitous for his own affairs." Mr. Wick, however, did receive a letter from Mrs. Cook on December 6th dated December 4th and posted December 5th in Brooklyn asking him to discontinue all expenses on the doctor's account and to forward certain papers which Mr. Wick understood

to be affidavits bearing on the doctor's ascent of Mt. McKinley. These affidavits the doctor had originally intended to take with him to Europe, if desired.

Others of Dr. Cook's friends granted tonight that Capt. Loose consulted freely with him and even occupied rooms adjoining his at the Gramatan Inn. Whether this propinquity served as an opportunity for co-operation merely or for collusion is a point on which not even Capt. Loose cared to pronounce positively. The captain, however, went freely into his own motives this afternoon.

"I went to Dr. Cook," he said "thinking I could help him. A short talk convinced me he was ignorant of some of the essentials of navigation. My task enlarged but that was no question for me to debate so long as I was paid. Now that the payments have ceased and the doctor has disappeared I speak out.

"I supplied the figures. They were gratefully received. What use was made of them is bound to appear."

Declares Charges Fake.
Copenhagen, Dec. 9.—Dr. Torp, rector of the University of Copenhagen said tonight that the charges published in the New York Times against Dr. Frederick A. Cook are based on pure fiction. "Nevertheless," he added, "we would accept the offer to examine the document prepared by Loose and Dunkle which the Times has agreed to send to Copenhagen."

Walter Lonsdale, secretary to Dr. Cook, who brought the explorer's documents to Copenhagen, also declared that the accusations published in New York and London against Dr. Cook were totally unfounded. He said that the papers delivered to the University of Copenhagen contained the original observations made by Dr. Cook during the expedition, without alterations.

Mr. Lonsdale stated further that the explorer's report was founded on these and dictated by Dr. Cook to him, no other person having anything to do with it. Loose and Dunkle, Mr. Lonsdale added, were guests at the Waldorf-Astoria during Dr. Cook's stay there, but the explorer's acquaintance with them was slight.

The committee which will begin the examination of Dr. Cook's records the latter part of this week is composed of the following: President, Professor Ellis Stromgren, director of the astronomical observatory; Dr. C. F. Peckhule, astronomer attached to the observatory; Gustav Holm, explorer; Professor A. B. Jensen, president of the school of navigation; Dr. Royder, director of the meteorological office and Dr. F. A. Engstrom, director of the Lund Observatory.

A summary of the affidavits of persons claiming to have aided Dr. Frederick A. Cook in the preparation of his polar data published in London and New York today was read here with amazement. Scientific circles are inclined to be incredulous regarding the charges and some persons like Dr. Carl Burrau, the astronomer, consider them so improbable that their effect will be to strengthen confidence in Dr. Cook.

NEW HANOVER SCHOOLS.

"Progressive County in Educational Matters" Says State Board.
(Special Star Correspondence.)

Raleigh, N. C., Dec. 9.—The State Department of Education is in receipt of a handsome photograph from Supt. Washington Catlett, of Wilmington. The picture is of a new school house built for white children in District No. 12, New Hanover county. It is built in accordance with one of the plans furnished by the State Department.

The two rooms are separated by heavy accordion folding doors on rollers. It has a high wainscot and plastered walls. For furnishings, it has patent desks, a neat book case and hyloplate blackboards. It is situated on the new macadam turnpike, on an acre of land given by a public spirited farmer. The old site was sold.

The rural schools of New Hanover, under the intelligent and efficient supervision of Supt. Catlett, are in excellent condition and doing fine work. There are three Women's Betterment Associations organized and more to follow in the near future. Supt. Catlett holds regular monthly meetings of his county Teachers' Association, and has an interesting program for each meeting. In these meetings he is paying special attention to talks on Practical Hygiene by one of the city physicians, and to the study of Hamilton's Recitation. He holds meetings for his colored teachers as well as for the whites. All his teachers are enrolled as members of the North Carolina Teachers' Reading Circle. A progressive county in educational matters, and worthy of imitation, is the comment of the State Board of Education.

VAGRANCY CHARGED.

White Man, Beggar, Arrested by Police Yesterday Morning.

Joseph B. Blalock, a white man, who arrived here a few days ago and has since made a canvass of the city begging money, was arrested yesterday morning by Patrolman J. R. Minshue on the charge of vagrancy. Blalock who appears to be about 40 years old and capable of earning a living, called upon the Mayor Wednesday afternoon and asked help from that official. The Mayor was not very favorably impressed with the fellow, but directed him to the Associated Charities at the Court House, where all deserving poor are helped. Blalock does not appear as much of a physical wreck as he pretends. It is presumed that he continued begging on the streets, as a warrant was issued for him yesterday. Blalock claims to have come here from Jacksonville, N. C., but did not have a very extended acquaintance in that town. He says that Durham was his home for several years.

BIG FIRE AT PULASKI, VA.

Garnier Hunt Building Destroyed Entailing Loss of \$50,000.
Roanoke, Va., Dec. 9.—Fire of unknown origin tonight destroyed the Garnier Hunt building at Pulaski, Va. The lower floors of the building were occupied by stores while the opera house and number of offices were on the second floor. The loss is \$50,000, with insurance less than half that amount.

Roanoke was called on for aid and sent a special train with fire fighting apparatus, but the fire was under control before its arrival.

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FIRE LOSS OF \$750,000.

Conflagration in the Business Section of Kalamazoo, Mich.

Kalamazoo, Mich., Dec. 9.—The combined efforts of the fire departments of three cities had not succeeded tonight to entirely extinguish the fire which broke out last night in the heart of the business section, although the flames which caused a loss of approximately \$750,000 were under absolute control.

Only once during the afternoon did the situation threaten to again become serious when flames suddenly sprang up afresh in a building on Water street. Energetic action by the firemen soon conquered this blaze and all danger of further damage was at an end. It is now certain that there was no loss of life. Edward Fisher, one of the firemen overcome by smoke in a serious condition, but he probably will recover.

Four other firemen were injured, none seriously, and 180 hotel guests were driven scantly clad into the streets by the fire which burned the Purdick house, one of the best known hotels in Southern Michigan, the major portion of a city square in the business district was laid in ruins. More than 30 business concerns suffered losses by the fire. The heaviest losses were the Arcade Company, which owned the hotel and Arcade building and whose loss is estimated at \$250,000. Among the losers were the Postal Telegraph Company, American Express Company, City National Bank, National Cash Register Company, Marshall Field & Company, and six saloons. A dozen buildings were destroyed.

FREIGHTER FOUNDERED.

Three Members of Crew Perished—Occurred on Lake Erie.

Buffalo, N. Y., Dec. 9.—In the wintry gale that has swept Lake Erie for 24 hours, the big freighter W. C. Richardson, of Cleveland, bound from Duluth to Buffalo with a cargo of flax seed, foundered early today when she was within half a mile of the harbor entrance. Five of the crew perished. The remainder, numbering 14, were rescued by the crew of the propeller William A. Paine, which had anchored on the Waverly shoals.

Tonight the Paine is still riding at anchor in the heavy seas and the rescued are all on board. She will be unable to enter the harbor until the storm abates. The only communication established with the Paine today was by Captain Farrell of the tug Mason. Circling around the vessel he learned that Chief Engineer S. E. Mayberry, second mate E. J. Clary and three deck hands or firemen had lost their lives.

The cause of the wreck can only be surmised until Captain Barker is brought ashore, but it is believed that while he was trying to swing his boat around at anchor to ride out the storm the cargo shifted, causing the steamer to list so badly that she was swamped. Her prow and one funnel show above water.

The insurance on the Richardson amounting to \$250,000 expired at noon tomorrow. The cargo, valued at \$400,000 was fully insured.

SHIP BURNS TO WATER.

First Mate and One of the Crew Perished—Victims Froze.

Cleveland, O., Dec. 9.—Information received here is that the vessel that burned off Southeast Shoal in Lake Erie last night was the freighter Clarion of the Anchor Line. The first mate and one of the crew perished and the captain and eleven members of the crew are adrift in a steel life boat. They had not been heard from since leaving the ship.

One of the victims froze to death and another was drowned. Six men were taken off the burning boat by the steamer L. C. Hanna and are now on board that vessel bound for Buffalo. It is feared that some of the 13 men adrift in the life boat will succumb to the cold.

FIRE IN SOUTHERN SHOPS.

Building Completely Destroyed at Columbia Yesterday.

Columbia, S. C., Dec. 9.—Fire in the car shops of the Southern Railway here today caused damage amounting to \$25,000. The building was completely destroyed and several passenger coaches, which were there for repairs shared the same fate. The flames threatened other buildings in the vicinity, but after a hard fight, the firemen checked the fire.

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Mrs. Henry Angel.....	205	Y. M. C. A.....	707
Miss Annie Banks.....	204	Miss Lillian Vaughn.....	220
Boys' Brigade.....	202	Major Johnson.....	213
Miss Lillian Bannerman.....	1,457	James Kerr.....	201
Brotherhood Railway Cks.....	264	R. A. Wright.....	208
Boys' Relief Club.....	202	Miss Lucille King.....	286
Miss Bertha Devane.....	204	Miss Bessie Sears.....	219
Miss Lydia Davis.....	210	S. A. Fray.....	201
Miss Janie Dudley.....	202	J. C. Haar.....	202
W. E. Jays.....	321	J. B. Wilcox.....	201
Miss Mollie Houston.....	840	M. B. H.....	201
Fenley Bros.....	310	Miss Fenley, care Hospital.....	209
Naval Reserves.....	206	D. Hedderwick.....	201
Miss Lena McKenzie.....	205	Miss Rosa Furlong.....	205
Dolgado Sunday School.....	202	Miss Lena Stanland.....	202
Miss Mary Pickett.....	207	Mrs. C. Williams.....	1,405
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THE STATE IN EPITOME

News, Comment and Incidents as Reflected in North Carolina.

Still Smashing Bottles.

Fayetteville Observer: Just as he was about to board a train in the Union station at Washington yesterday afternoon, on his way home, a Fayetteville man was astonished to see a woman enter the buffet of the station and, wielding two hatchets, smash bottles and glasses right and left, destroying more than \$50 worth of whiskey and glass. She was promptly arrested and locked up, charged with disorderly conduct and destroying private property. The woman was Carrie Nation.

AN AGED BLOCKADER.

Negro of Ante-Bellum Type Dies in Raleigh Jail.

(Special Star Correspondence.) Raleigh, N. C., Dec. 9.—The oldest and most persistent blockader in North Carolina died this morning in Wake county jail where he has been held for nearly six months awaiting trial on the charge of selling whiskey. His name was Jordan Richardson and he had lived for 90-odd years in this county, most of the time near Apex. He was a typical ante-bellum negro in appearance and in characteristics. Just a month ago he was in Wake Superior Court as a witness in a chicken stealing case. Negro youths had stolen a fine rooster and taken it to the old man's house and he cooked it for them. In his examination he made such a good and altogether interesting witness that three of the younger members of the bar declared their purpose to assume the \$100 bond required to secure his release in the federal charge against him. The bond was to have been given that afternoon at 4 o'clock, but the old man remained in jail since it was finally decided that he would be better off there than if turned out and thrown on his own resources for support.

As a slave before the war his master kept him much of the time working at a distillery, and as a freeman he has never been content at any other work. He has been driven from one neighborhood to another steadily by revenue raiders, arrested frequently and sentenced to a number of terms both in the federal penitentiary and to jail sentences. For several years at a time he would ply his trade in deep forests and remote country where it was hardest for the raiders to reach him. Several times he formed "community stills" in which practically everybody in the locality would be implicated one way or another in the still so that they could not afford to report him. Besides this he seemed to have the keenest instinct for detecting the approach of revenue raiders. Besides, "Uncle Jordan" had the most ingratiating mannerism and there were raiders who really did not have the heart to capture him even if they could.

NO QUAIL FOR BUNCOMBE.

Law of 1907 Still Applies in Mountain County.

(Asheville Citizen.) It is an old saying that members of a Legislature do not know the laws that body has passed so well as some others because they are apt to rely on their recollection rather than look into the law books and the rule is proven even in the case of one so alert and accurate as former Senator Chas. A. Webb, when he was quoted in yesterday's Citizen as stating that through the failure of the "Emphy bill" to pass the house of representatives of the last Legislature there was no law to prevent the sale of quail and other game birds in North Carolina. While the statement is correct so far as the greater part of the State is concerned, it is not so in respect to Buncombe county. Mr. Webb was inadvertently to the fact that the Legislature of 1907 passed a law applicable to Buncombe county which forbids the sale of game birds in this county.

Section 3 of chapter 877, laws of 1907 reads: "That it shall be unlawful for any person, firm or corporation to sell or offer for sale any of said game birds killed within said Buncombe county except between the 14th day of November and the first day of February of every year." The Legislature of 1909, section 1, chapter 570, struck out all of the foregoing section after the word "birds," that portion which is in parenthesis so that it is unlawful for any person to sell or offer for sale any game birds in this county. Whether this applies only to birds killed in this county or to all birds is a question raised yesterday, but the law apparently makes no distinction and the person seeking to sell game birds in Buncombe will be hazarding the law.

WOULD BE RID OF TENTS.

Charlotte Authorities Would Remove Eye Sores.

(Charlotte Observer.) War has again been declared on the two tented places of business on North Tryon street in the heart of the business section, occupied by the Casino moving picture show and the postcard picture gallery and the box car restaurant on West Trade street, opposite the Selwyn hotel. The board last night committed itself definitely to the policy of removing these places. It will be recalled that they have formed the subject of numerous discussions before the aldermen and the board of public safety, whose successors the executive board is. In the other days the fight was made on the ground that the safety of surrounding property was menaced by the tents within the fire limits. Although the safety board started out rather determinedly, it gradually modified its position after the chief of the fire department testified that there was no appreciable danger from fire and in view of the fact that Mr. J. T. Powell, proprietor of the motion picture show, had invested a considerable amount of money in his business which was just getting on its feet, the safety board extended the limit for its existence from time to time and then by common consent dropped the matter and agreed to let the places survive in peace. The executive board is attacking the proposition from a new viewpoint—the pro-

CO-OPERATIVE FARM WORK.

Edgcombe Commissioner Approprate Money to Obtain Experts.

In its account of the meeting of the Board of Commissioners, the Tarboro Southerner says: "Another commendable act of the Board was a tentative appropriation of \$300 for farmers' co-operative agricultural work. This appropriation was ordered provided the Board has the authority to make it.

"This co-operative work is in brief as follows: The State and Federal governments send out experts to superintend and direct the farm work on a few acres on a number of farms in a county. These experts have analyzed the soil of such lands, prescribe quantity and kind of fertilization, the method of cultivation. An expert can look after some 50 or 60 places.

"But he will not only do this, but will advertise his coming and when he makes his visits, will lecture to the neighboring farmers on the work in hand in the neighborhood and doubtless on other farm topics.

"In other words, this appropriation which will be supplemented by appropriations by State and Federal departments, will bring about the establishment of test farms in every community.

"Any farmer who is willing to work under the direction of such an expert can have the benefit of his direction and advice.

RAT ATTACKS CHILD.

Six Months Baby Severely Hurt by

(Asheville Citizen.) Attacked by a rat which bit its face severely in several places the six months old child of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Hampton narrowly escaped permanent disfigurement and even death sometime after midnight Monday. The child was bitten on the bridge of the nose, one ear was pierced by its long teeth and an artery a hairbreadth from one eye was severed. Mrs. Hampton, rushing to her child's rescue, was in turn attacked by the rat after she had hurled it to the floor and was bitten on the foot. The rodent fought viciously until it was killed by members of the household who rushed into the room. Mrs. Hampton was awakened by the cries of the child and hastening to it was horrified to see a large rat biting the child in the face, blood flowing plentifully from the wounds. Mrs. Hampton threw the rat to the floor but instead of making it escape the rodent, doubtless enraged by the fate of blood, attacked her and bit her foot. Dr. Padgug, who was summoned, found that an artery had been severed near the eye and that it had narrowly escaped the loss of the eye. Fortunately the prompt response of the mother availed to stop the rat's attack before it had done permanent injury.

ENGINEER KINYOUN DEAD.

Southern Employee Injured by Bridge Siding Succumbs.

(Charlotte Observer.) Winston-Salem, Dec. 8.—Engineer Kinyoun, of the Southern, died early today at the Twin City hospital as the result of injuries he sustained when struck by a bridge siding on the Wilkesboro road yesterday morning. He was popular and had been in the service of the Southern for many years and was rated as one of the best of their men. Mr. Kinyoun left a rather valuable estate, consisting principally of a good farm at Delaplane, a home at North Wilkesboro and insurance in several companies. Mrs. Kinyoun and five children survive him. The funeral will take place tomorrow at North Wilkesboro and the interment will be at Delaplane. In the family burial plot. Many of the Southern's men here, including Superintendent Bennett, accompanied the remains to his home today. His engine, No. 1,339 came in draped in mourning for the man who had pulled its throttle for so many years.

EXTEND HARBOR LINES.

Capt. Brown Will Give Hearing to Washington, N. C. People.

Washington, Dec. 8.—As a result of a request made by Hon. J. H. Small, Congressman from the first district of North Carolina, to the War Department, through Capt. Earle I. Brown, corps of engineers, U. S. A., of Wilmington, N. C., for an extension of the harbor lines of this city, Captain Brown will meet the citizens and business men of this city at a public meeting in the Chamber of Commerce rooms on December 15th, at 11 A. M., for the purpose of learning the wishes of the citizens of Washington in regard to this measure, and to have them make any suggestions that they see fit as to extending the harbor front of this city, about one mile in an easterly direction toward Bunyon's Creek, on the eastern suburb of this city.

AFFAIRS IN RALEIGH.

Mor head City Company Chartered—(Special Star Correspondence.)

Raleigh, N. C., Dec. 9.—A charter was issued today for The John F. Bell Co., Morehead City, capital \$15,000, for general lumber business and building boats. The principal incorporators are C. M. Wade and J. F. Bell. A special bulletin just issued from the State Department of Agriculture treats insect enemies of tobacco, the purpose being to curtail, if possible, the enormous loss that is sustained every year by tobacco growers through the ravages of these pests which include the Flea Bug, Horn Worm and the Bud Worm. It is declared that in many cases the growing crops of tobacco are injured from 20 to 50 per cent. by the ravages of insects.

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U. S. Bonds (at par) 551,000.00
Bank Building 25,000.00
N. C. State and other Bonds 170,420.50
Cash and Due by Banks 1,498,349.42
\$6,226,412.40

LIABILITIES.

Capital Stock \$550,000.00
Surplus and Net Profit 351,423.33
Circulation 550,000.00
U. S. Bond Account 100,000.00
Deposits 4,074,988.47
\$6,226,412.40

DEPOSITS.

November 16th, 1907 \$2,125,502.71
November 16th, 1908 \$3,075,047.52
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TO WILMINGTON.

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SUNDAYS—Leave Front and Princess streets at 8:30, 10:00, 11:30 A. M., 1:00, 2:30, 3:00, 3:30, 4:00, 4:30, 5:00, 5:30, 6:10, 7:10, 8:30, 10:00 and 11:00 P. M.

TO WILMINGTON.

WEEK DAYS—Leave Wrightsville at 6:20, 7:55, 8:25, 9:25, 10:55 A. M., 12:25, 1:55, 3:55, 5:25, 5:55, 8:00, 9:25, 10:25 and 11:25 P. M.

SUNDAYS—Leave Wrightsville at 9:55, 10:55 A. M., 12:25, 1:55, 3:25, 3:55, 4:25, 4:55, 5:25, 5:55, 6:25, 7:00, 8:00, 9:25, 10:25 and 11:25 P. M.

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Lv. Cincinnati 7:30 a.m. 7:30 p.m.

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IS THE POLE STILL INTACT?

The "polar controversy" will not down. In yesterday's New York Times, according to a special to the Columbia State, appears a most remarkable confession by two men, Looose and Dunkle, to the effect that they personally prepared for the alleged discoverer of the pole the date which some days ago he despatched to Copenhagen in care of his secretary. The story is written in minutest detail, and the data furnished the Times includes alleged autograph directions given by Cook to his aides in order to enable them to make their calculations fit with the points of his narrative. The Times, a great newspaper and usually a careful one, in large part investigated and verified the statement made to it by its informants, whose motive for making the disclosure is stated frankly to be the failure of Cook to pay them the contract price of \$4,000 for the work. In the State's special, the collaborators of the famous explorer are quoted in substance:

"In the narrative of Capt. Looose he frankly expresses his scorn of Dr. Cook's claims, laughs at his ignorance of the simplest essentials for accurate observations in the Arctic regions and describes at length how, working backward from the pole, he calculated observations that would fit in with Cook's narrative and coached him on the necessary modifications of the latter. As, for example, that he must be sure to record that he rose before 4:15 o'clock on a certain morning, because it was at that hour that a certain star, mentioned in one of Looose's calculations, would be visible. Mr. Dunkle describes the inception of the enterprise; how from newspapers they gathered that Dr. Cook was in deep water and inferred that he would be glad to pay for help; how Dunkle got John R. Bradley, Cook's backer, to introduce him; how the subject was led up to delicately and the bargain finally struck and carried out, and how, at last, Dr. Cook disappeared, after accepting their work and paying only \$250 for it."

If these facts be true, it is hard to imagine what will be the end of Dr. Cook. There is a pride and egotism among big thieves and highly imaginative fakirs which cannot brook exposure. The magnitude of the attempt at deception makes the searchlight of truth absolutely insupportable. If Cook shall finally be exposed to the satisfaction of the world as being the fraud he is alleged to be, it will mean his extinction except as a simile in the language of all peoples. On the other hand, if his claims prove true, it may be depended upon that the ultimate justness of world-verdicts will give him all the higher place by reason of his persecution.

There are, of course, circumstances about this latest charge which must yet be cleared up. The records received by the Copenhagen authorities may not bear out the facts stated by Looose and Dunkle as being included in them. But, again, the circumstantiality of their narrative is remarkable. They have either caught Cook, or betrayed themselves irreparably. As a result, the world, which had become tired of criminalism and recrimination between Cook and Peary, has again a sharp edge upon its interest.

The serious part of the matter, however, now lies in the clearly demonstrable fact that Arctic observations can, in truth, be "faked." That being true, Cook's ignorance being admitted and Peary's knowledge conceded, where is the truth? The co-incidence that followed Peary's announcement immediately after Cook's alleged discovery was on its face suspicious. His denial of Cook's claims was more questionable, in that it was made when he had nothing upon which to base his statement. Since then, circumstance after circumstance has come to light to discredit Cook. In spite of Peary's medal and the possibility that Cook may be awarded another, we have our doubts whether or not the great public will not accord to both of them a good natured, but skeptical tolerance.

When a Zeppelin airship shall make repeated journeys to the pole, is it not within the possibilities that careful search will reveal no sign of Cook, and less of Peary?

The jury that indicted Sheldon, president of the Phoenix Insurance Company while the latter lay on his death-bed had evidently never heard the maxim: "Nil mortis nisi bonum."

FINANCIAL HOOKWORM.

There is food for much thought in the report of the monetary commission upon the resources of banks in the various sections of the country, based upon the per capita of population of each section. Taken as a whole the reports show the banking resources of the country to indicate \$237.24 per capita; while, taken by sections, the Middle Atlantic States lead with a per capita of resources of \$450.19. The New England States come next with \$443.60 per capita; the Pacific States are third with \$347.78; the Middle Western fourth with \$190.64; the far Western fifth with \$161.35; the Southern sixth with \$71.19 and island possessions tail off with \$5.2 per capita.

Enlightening as the poor showing of the South as a whole is upon these comparisons, made as of April 28th, 1909, the problem when considered from the point of view of North Carolina appears even more serious. For the order in which the Southern States are rated in this particular is as follows:

West Virginia leads the Southern list with a per capita of \$112.66; Louisiana follows with \$96.61; then in order comes Texas, \$90.67; Virginia \$88.61; Kentucky, \$86.06; Florida, \$85.54; Tennessee, \$71.46; Georgia, \$64.23; South Carolina, \$52.84; North Carolina and Alabama, each \$45.41; Mississippi, \$45.33; Arkansas, \$41.14. We confess to a lack of complete understanding as to how these figures, certainly authoritative, may be true. In the Middle Atlantic States it is apparent that much of the banking resources is derived from the great insurance, railroad and industrial corporations that take toll from the entire country. They do not, strictly, indicate the true relation between the prosperity of the banks and the condition of the people. In similar manner it is also true that every other of the great sections than the South has, in lesser degree, such banking preeminence. But why, among the Southern States, North Carolina should occupy the unenviable position it does, is a matter that is certainly inexplicable considering the advances that this State has made in the past decade and more, alike in manufacturing, in agriculture and in banking. Ranking as high as this State does in the manufacture of cotton, in its lumber interests, in furniture and tobacco manufacture, in the cultivation of cotton and 'obacco in the raw products, there is something radically wrong when a comparison of banking resources shows so poorly beside those of other similarly situated States. That this should be true despite the fact that banking facilities have doubled and more than doubled; that not only are the banks of the cities prosperous and growing in wealth and power, but scarcely a hamlet that has not its thriving banking institution, opens the way to serious doubt whether the confidence and co-operation that we had been priding ourselves existed between the people and their financial institutions exists in any but a small comparative degree. This year alone over thirty-five million dollars will come from the world at large to add to the popular surplus in this State from cotton alone; returns from tobacco, grown and manufactured, can be estimated safely at sixty millions additional; manufactured cotton will add its scores of millions to the circulation of money among the people; the hundred and more furniture factories are constantly pouring wealth into the State as are the timber interests, the busy commercial houses, a hundred other manifestations of active business and enterprise. Yet with it all—even with the prosperity of the banks taken into consideration—the facts show the presence of idle money. And idle money shows the presence of a financial and industrial lassitude that is to the robust constitution of business what the hookworm is said to be to the energies of those who are afflicted with it. Just as the hookworm does not kill, just as in cases where it attacks a strong man it does not even sap his whole energy, but only retards its full and free expression, so money that does not get into circulation through the entire system of commercial life, means that there is a pro tanto stagnation and anemia that saps it if it does not entirely destroy the health and the strength of progress.

If in the light of these figures it is indeed true that there is not that growing harmony and co-operation between the banks and the people, which the growth of the banks would have seemed to indicate, the latent impulse and dormant is absolutely incalculable, when the real resources and prosperity of the people as a whole are considered. Hard as it is to say, the facts indicate that these resources are in great measure dormant; in great measure selfish. It follows that they are in greater measure controlled by a people content to bask in a material prosperity akin to that of the fabled South Sea Islander who, prone on his back, gets his dinner by opening his mouth and kicking the banana tree under which he sleeps. It only ought to percolate into the minds of people generally that one dollar in a stocking is a dollar bill; and one dollar in a bank is a ten dollar note. Approximately, there

is ten dollars more business done than there are dollars; every man who has anything and is yet out of sympathy with the banks simply withdraws from the active channels in which it should flow ten dollars for every one that he hoards.

If this is not a bad case of financial hookworm, we would like to know what is.

PRACTICAL PHILANTHROPY.

The city of Raleigh deserves the condolences of the State in the death of R. B. Raney, donor to the city of the Olivia Raney Library and a public benefactor whose giving both to public cause and private charity, held the rare virtue of representing in real degree the sacrifice of an ambition for wealth which, without good works, might have been easily obtained.

It is stated in the dispatches that R. B. Raney was one of the wealthiest of Raleigh's citizens. We venture the assertion that this statement is almost entirely founded upon the amount that he gave, rather than upon the property that he possessed. In ordinary circumstances such a conclusion would be justified. But Mr. Raney was not an ordinary man.

Here was the record of a man yet young, in the sense in which age is measured by accomplishment, who started life with the smallest, if indeed any, capital; who played business as an engrossing game according to the old rules of economy, attention to detail, perspicacity of risk and certainty of return. So endowed, accumulation was to him a mere matter of years; with accumulation, large wealth was an ever easier progression. Yet with all his innate business caution, with all his acquisitive instincts, there was that in his soul which showed him that money was a means and not an end. We repeat that it will be ascertained that he was far from being in the class of Raleigh's wealthiest citizens. The honor that was his consisted in the fact that he might so readily have been so.

Did not this man of a big heart take the better course? Did he not seize, while it was yet time, the happy mean between a surface generosity and the procrastination that is the thief of those larger benefactions with which avarice comforts itself, as well as of "time"? Was not his heart's triumph over the bent of the brain and his inclination an inspiring example of success in the larger ambition of doing service to men, which so many admit and so few compass? And does that example not point a way to others, both practical in the reasoning of the world and sublime in the conscience of humanity? Mr. Raney simply had the power of investing the greater instead of the much smaller proportion of his surplus in the aid of others. He gave, as he accumulated, wisely, but proportionately much more rapidly. The money that he made he used as a trust instead of as a weapon. Not understanding, the world is to be excused, if it jumped at the conclusion that he was rich when he was only practically generous.

STILL RANTANKEROUS.

The Charleston News and Courier is not going to get the Wilmington Star mixed up in any of those endless discussions at the "round table." Life is too short and interest too fleeting for a dallying with words, phrases, sentences and poems—real or alleged—to get from us more than passing attention. When we use a word perfectly well understood by the people of this State, without going through the formality of putting it in quotations, we protest when somebody else comes along and tells us that we meant to say something different. As to "rantankeros," as opposed to "cantankerous" we stand pat on our opinion that there is a well defined distinction in the colloquial use of the two words, neither of which is elegant and both of which are expressive, when rightly used. In an editorial reprinted on this page the News and Courier still insists on its point, and at the same time honestly convicts itself. Before, it was ready to swear that there was no such word as rantankeros, and that our use of it was merely an ignorant attempt to say "cantankerous." Now it comes along and admits that there is such a word and tries to attack us on our definition, the scope of its argument seeming to be that "cantankerous" is the better of two words meaning the same thing. We said that a person might be "rantankeros in a good cause," might even be "pleasantly so." Observe, then, even the Courier's dictionary quotation, in which it is said that it may be used also in any "bad or humorous sense." If it may be humorously used, does it not follow that it may be applied without intention either to accuse of unpleasant obstinacy, or in anywise to give of fense?

However, we used the word as a North Carolina expression, not thinking it would be misunderstood elsewhere in the South, but not caring so much, at that. We have not the practice or the inclination to coin words, but it has been done in high quarters; when the people have coined one, however, we consider it ours as much as theirs. And that's the whole truth of our love for "rantankeros."

TO PROTECT BUSINESS, NOT TRUSTS.

Discussing the proposed amendment of the Sherman Law, we think that the News and Observer misapprehends the reasons underlying the opinion of President Taft, even the expressed opinion of President Roosevelt himself, when it argues that such opinion is the result of what has happened in the cases brought against the Standard Oil and other trusts in the effort to save them harmless against convictions they have suffered in courts of law. On the contrary, without reference to the conviction of any particular trust, the idea that the Sherman law is a dangerous one is based upon the possibilities opened up by these decisions with respect to combinations and organization of capital generally. What reason is there in demanding that action upon the Sherman law be deferred until after the Supreme Court shall have acted on the Standard Oil, or any other case that, regularly before the courts, is now in the highest tribunal on appeal? They were tried under the Sherman law and convicted. On their appeals they must stand or fall upon the sole question of whether or not they violated that law when it was on the statute books. But in view of the possibilities suggested by the present opinions of the Circuit Federal Courts, the uncertainty put upon business by such decisions cannot fail to cause a stagnation in enterprise which the country particularly at this juncture needs should find promotion. Writing of the proposal to amend the law the News and Observer says:

"The plutocrats and their organs are now clamoring for a repeal or amendment of the Sherman anti-trust law. As long as it was allowed to remain a dead letter from non-enforcement no such cry was heard. Now that it threatens to do what it shows it was intended to do, the cry for amendment is heard. The Federal Circuit Court has held the Oil Trust and the Tobacco Trust to be illegal concerns under that law. There isn't a boy who does not know that both these outlawed laws of commerce were properly convicted. Both have appealed to the Supreme Court and both are hoping by some technicality to escape the penalty of that law. But, fearing the court will uphold the finding of disqualification, the attempt is being made to secure such amendment of the law as would allow trusts a loop-hole of escape."

Why was no cry for the amendment of the Sherman law heard, so long as it was allowed to remain a dead letter, except that it was not supposed to be anything else? Why protest against a statutory corpse? The books are filled with them, and the public lets them lie in peaceful graves, until, as sometimes happens, they gain an evil resurrection. In the case of the Sherman law, scarcely its best friend will fail to admit that it is in nature obsolete; that it is in nature prohibitory of business methods everywhere recognized as essential to modern conditions. Because, therefore, it has proven sufficient to hurt one or more trusts, is that a reason why it should be permitted to remain intact to endanger generally business that is not in any sense a "trust" except under the latitude of its almost all-embracing provisions? And, recognizing this fact, are those justly to be called "plutocrats" or their "organs" who merely demand an amendment that shall make the law sane and modern, while yet giving ample and even better protection against combinations defined and declared to be in restraint of trade?

That is a disingenuous attitude which would make of all who wish a law to be so amended as neither to impose prosecution nor the fear of it upon legitimate corporations the advocates, defenders and tools of illegitimate combinations.

PRESIDENT AND SUGAR TRUST.

We have noted more criticism of President Taft's deliverance against a Congressional investigation of the Sugar trusts that has seemed to attach to any other portion of his message. To us, it seems the most unobjectionable of any of his opinions except on those topics about which there is general concurrence of opinion. Certainly he seems to have made it clear that the reason the investigation is not proper at this time is that it is not desirable that the Government should now do anything to give immunity to men whom it may afterwards wish to indict. Yet, strangely enough, the criticism seems to be based on the ground that the purpose of the recommendation is to save those "higher up."

How would an investigation work out in practice? Suppose that it established the guilt of a higher up official through his own confessions on the witness stand. Suppose that the corroborative evidence, as it would be, should be that of others who in testifying would convict themselves. Where, then, would be the Government's basis of prosecution? Its testimony would be stopped by its own hand. It would have operated to keep its own witnesses off the stand. Whatever the disclosures of guilt of the higher and more responsible officials, they would be immune from prosecution.

We take it that President Taft has looked at this phase of the matter, not only as a lawyer but in the light of experience; and that the best evidence that this administration pro-



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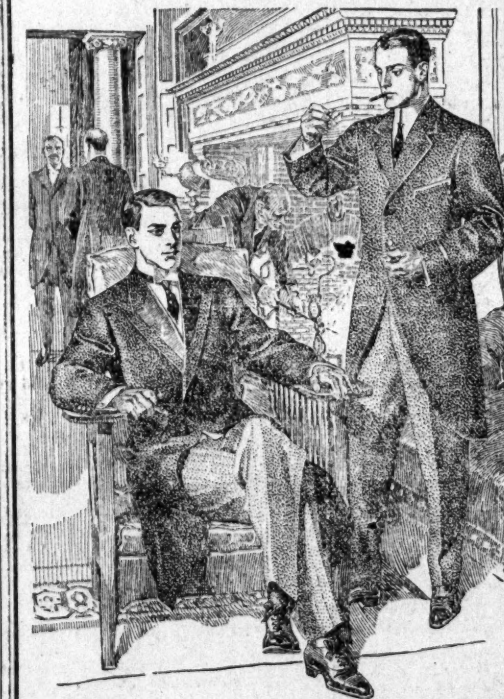
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poses to push the prosecutions which the Roosevelt administration so successfully hindered and blocked is the fact that it does not propose to exact confessions which under the law it would afterwards be stopped from using.

There might be more faith in the story of that "sea-captain" who claims to have "faked" Dr. Cook's records for him had Walter Wellman not already demonstrated how the work could be done.

President Taft's idea in adopting the policy of giving the North negro office-holders may have been intended to "make the punishment fit the crime" in the case of those Northern Republicans who have been clamoring for negro office holders—in the South.

"The salary of a Congressman being \$7,500 a year, the Congressman whose annual speeches are confined to 75 words will be paid at the rate of \$100 a word. In most cases the \$100 a word men are those who most nearly earn their wages," says the Columbia State. According to this method of calculation the "penny a liner" ought to throw out his chest when he thinks of Beveridge and La Follette.

Although the South stands sixth in per capita banking circulation, and North Carolina stands tenth among the Southern States, it appears from the ginners report that in this State there were ginned up to December 1st 536,163 500-pound bales of cotton. At an average of 13 cents a pound, this means a circulation among North Carolina farmers and merchants of \$34,850,595. There is, therefore, no special need for tears over figures in the face of facts such as these.

A Rantankeros Contemporary.

(Charleston News and Courier.) The Wilmington Star insists that "rantankeros" is a good word, and if it likes it it can use it. We don't care. We only wanted to say that "cantankerous" was a better word, and we appear to be sustained in this view by the authorities we have consulted. In the Standard Dictionary "rantankeros" is given, but it is condemned in brackets thus: "(Local U. S.)" and means, according to this authority: "Bombastically or violently contentious and obstinate; used also in any bad or humorous sense," which utterly disproves the statement of our Tar Heel contemporary that "one may be 'rantankeros' in a good cause, as well as a bad one; may be pleasant with it as well as disagreeable; may even be unobjectionably contentious and yet fit subject for the application of the adjective."

"Cantankerous," on the other hand, though "colloquial" is not "Local U. S.," but is a good word, and was used by Sheridan in "The Rivals" in this phrase: "You won't be so cantankerous as to spoil the party by sitting out." exactly what the Wilmington Star is now trying to do instead of yielding its little pride of opinion to the situation as it should. "Cantankerous" means "given to contention and wrangling; disposed to find fault and contradict; ill-natured; contrary," and is, therefore, fully descriptive of the spirit of our contemporary. There is a difference, of course, as even it should see, between being "bombastically or violently contentious and obstinate" and being simply "given to contention and wrangling."

CURRENT COMMENT.

A lady has written a reply to Kipling's "Vampire." It is an attack on man, and is called "The Vampire."—Charleston News and Courier.

In addition to refusing to pay her share of the old joint debt, West Virginia now adds insult to injury by threatening a formal requisition for Attorney General-elect Williams of Virginia because in a West Virginia court he pounded with an inkstand a West Virginia lawyer who had somehow incurred his displeasure. Vir-

ginia, naturally, is resentful. If this trouble were between Central American republics Uncle Sam might take a hand but as between two members of his own family he can do nothing.—Charlotte Observer.

The Salisbury Post presents Rowan county's claim for the champion hog—not of the two-legged species, but of the kind which furnishes spareribs and backbone, chitlings and some for Christmas cheer; jowl to be boiled with turnip greens in the spring and, still later on, prime North Carolina hams and smoked "sides" from which can be cut breakfast strips containing "a streak of lean and a streak of fat." The Rowan hog which is going to do all this was killed by a young farmer the other day. It was less than 11 months old and when dressed weighed 554 pounds. That is a record worthy of North Carolina's best traditions for the good old hog-killing time.—Charlotte Observer.

The cost of a Business Local is a small fee to pay for securing a good tenant.

CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY RATES VIA SEABOARD.

The Seaboard announces Low Round Trip Christmas and New Year Holiday Rates; tickets will be sold on basis of 80 per cent. of Double Local Fares, December 17th-18th-21st-22nd-23rd-24th-25th-31st, 1909, and January 1st, 1910 with final return limit January 8th.

For further information relative to rates and schedules apply to ticket offices or address the undersigned.

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PALMER MASS OF WRECKAGE

Tug Boats Found Her in Hopeless Condition and Part of Vessel Gone—Foundered Night of December 2nd.

The stranded schooner Marie Palmer, on Flying Pan shoals, which the owners had hoped to float, was found to be a mass of wreckage by the tug Sea King, Capt. Williams, and Alexander Jones, Capt. Sanders, which went to sea yesterday morning to make a final effort to save the big four-master.

The Palmer, lying in a precarious position, could not withstand the strong southwester which prevailed Tuesday and Wednesday of this week. The tug towing the wrecking barge reached port late yesterday afternoon. Portions of the big deck of the vessel had floated away and only that remained which had become entangled in the wreckage.

It is believed that the masts which were standing when the vessel was visited by Mr. Edgar Dunn last Sunday, were swept away Wednesday night.

It is the opinion of the tug boat captains that the Palmer would have been saved had efforts been made last Monday, the day before the wind shifted. With some 22 feet of water in the hold of the vessel, mountainous seas ran over her for two days and she gradually went to pieces.

When the tugs reached her yesterday morning a boat was sent out and what was left of the vessel was examined, but there was nothing of sufficient value to carry away. The masts had fallen in such a position that they were caught. It will be only a few days until the last vestige of the wreckage will be washed away.

The weather was calm yesterday and the tugs had no difficulty in reaching the vessel, but when she was first sighted it was seen that her condition was hopeless.

Mr. Edgar Dunn, representing the owners in Boston, and Capt. Chancy of the Marie Palmer, went out on the Sea King yesterday morning and returned to port on the tug last night. They will leave for Boston today.

PRETTY NEW YEAR CALENDARS.

Number of Pretty Ones Being Sent Out For This Season.

The near approach of the New Year always brings the usual complement of handsome greetings from Wilmington business men, especially calendars, the number of which this year is many.

A pretty calendar with the compliments of Messrs. Boylan & Hancock, bears the design, "Constance", from the original painting by William Thorne. The calendar is very neat and useful.

The Peruvian Guano Corporation, of Charleston and Wilmington, is sending out a unique souvenir presenting a scene on the coast of Chili, whence its large importations are made and which is a significant reminder of the virtue of the fertilizer handled by this corporation.

Messrs. Boylan & Hancock are also sending out a larger calendar for office use, presenting an attractive study in crayon, "When the Ice is on the River."

Another beautiful calendar, done exquisitely in red, and bearing a handsome art design, is being sent out by Ahrens Brothers, wholesale druggists on Market street, a copy of which the Star acknowledges with thanks.

Still another very attractive calendar is issued by Mr. Herbert F. Wilder, real estate and insurance agent on Princess street. The art piece is a pretty lithograph of a little girl, playing with a number of squirrels gamboling in the foliage which forms a background for the picture.

The calendar of Presson Brothers Co., tin and sheet iron workers and slate roofers, 215 Market street, is one of the most attractive that has yet found its way to this office. It is beautiful and attractive in design and aside from its use as a calendar makes a fine wall ornament for office.

APPROPRIATION FROM CONGRESS

Congressman Godwin Has Weather Eve Open for His District.

Mr. H. E. C. Bryant, in his Washington correspondence to yesterday's Charlotte Observer, has the following of local interest:

"Representative Godwin is desirous of getting Congress to give him \$200,000 more for the custom house at Wilmington. It is the purpose of North Carolina's chief seaport town to purchase a larger lot and spend several hundred thousand dollars in a building. Three hundred thousand dollars are now provided and construction work will begin at an early date. A bill, asking for the additional money, will be introduced within a short while.

Ground for the Fayetteville post office has been broken. That building is to cost \$50,000. Bills providing for the purchase of lots for public buildings at Salisbury and at Dunn will also be introduced.

Mr. Godwin is very anxious to get through some bills to improve the Cape Fear river."

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT.

Citizen's Building & Loan Pays Tribute to Mr. Marsden Bellamy.

At a meeting of the Board of Directors of the Citizens' Building and Loan Association held yesterday, the following very fitting resolutions of appreciation were unanimously adopted in memory of the Association's late Attorney and one of its founders:

"After assisting in the organization of the Citizens' Building and Loan Association, and then serving as its Attorney nearly a quarter of a century, Mr. Marsden Bellamy has passed from among us to a higher sphere. Recognizing as we do the value of his services to the Association, and the interest he took in its success, the good, conservative advice, which, without exception, was always his, and his untiring and untiring efforts, which were always manifest, therefore be it

AUDITING COMMITTEE MEETS

Numerous Bills and Accounts Audited and Approved—Resolutions on Death of Marsden Bellamy, Esq., Were Adopted.

The Board of County Commissioners, sitting as an auditing committee, met at 8 o'clock yesterday afternoon with Chairman McEachern presiding and Commissioners Robertson, Montgomery, Voller and Divine and the clerk, Capt. Owen Fennell, in attendance.

The board was in session for nearly two hours, but owing to the unusual amount of business, including the auditing of several annual and monthly reports, another meeting will have to be held to complete the work. The valuation of the property of Mr. C. C. McIntyre, in Harrett township, was corrected, making the valuation \$1,000. Mr. McIntyre appeared before the board Monday with reference to the valuation of his property and the matter was referred to the auditing committee for investigation and report.

After adjournment of the auditing committee the Board of County Commissioners convened for the purpose of hearing the report of the committee, composed of Col. W. F. Robertson and Mr. W. W. Divine, appointed Monday to draft suitable resolutions on the death of the late County Attorney, Robert Bellamy, Esq., as follows:

"On the 1st day of December, 1909, was called from his earthly labors Marsden Bellamy, Esq., a prominent member of the Wilmington bar, who was at the time of his death Attorney for the County of New Hanover, a position in which he had served for many years.

"As attorney and counselor of the commissioners his wisdom and matured powers of discernment in the management of public affairs were most useful. Prompt and of great legal efficiency, he was ready to respond to the demands of duty and to safely guide when perplexities arose. His entire service as attorney of this board was characterized by that high idea of right public conduct which marked his record as one of our foremost citizens. Those personal traits of attention, helpfulness, tolerance and independence which so highly endeared him to the community in which he lived and served constituted a character most valuable to this county and people.

"The members of this board recognize in his death the loss of a valued public official and faithful counselor, and desire to pay tribute to his memory, therefore, be it

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the family of the deceased with expressions of the sincere sympathy of the members of the board, and a copy of the same be indited upon a separate page of the record book of the county.

The resolutions were unanimously adopted by a rising vote.

The auditing committee received the monthly report of Treasurer H. McEl Green, which was as follows:

Balance on hand November 1st—General county fund, \$11,953.75; special county fund, \$8,476; road fund, \$27,999.53; road sinking fund, \$11,744.48; hospital fund, \$1,374.75. Receipts—To transfer from general to road fund, \$220.03; costs from Recorder's court, \$276.05; interest, \$117.53; jail fees, \$14.20; automobile tax, \$13.30; schedule B tax, \$750.50; property tax, \$7,137.01; marriage license, \$27.55; cash from County Commission, \$67; cash from sale of rock, \$68, making a total of \$62,461.44, including amount on hand first of the month.

Disbursements—By warrants and orders paid general fund: Orders to transfer to road fund, \$220.03; out-door poor, \$260.13; County Home, \$234.95; road and bridges, \$75; public buildings, \$132.01; United Charities, \$71; Superior Court, \$70.75; Recorder's court, \$150; jail, \$144; stationery and advertising, \$76.50; magistrates, \$34.00; Commissioners, \$114; military, \$300; miscellaneous, \$49.63; Register of Deeds, \$10.45; superintendent of health, \$100; attorney, \$25; coroner, \$5; constables, \$10.84; clerk, \$83.34; janitor, \$50; hospital, \$75.37; road sinking fund, \$14.65; road fund, \$2,219.13; general fund, treasurer's commissions, \$128.21, a total of \$95,299.22, leaving a balance of \$57,162.22.

"NOTABLE CONDITIONS."

Subject of Fine Sermon at Christian Church.

Rev. J. T. Brown preached a strong sermon at the Christian Church last night on the theme, "Notable Conditions." The congregation was large and attentive. Mr. Brown spoke of Bible conversions and what conditions are necessary to effect such conversions. To illustrate he took up the several conversions as recorded in the Acts of the Apostles, analyzing each one, and showing how it was that the persons converted then were converted under the influence of the Holy Spirit, and asserting that God had never given us any other instructions since then and that the people of this day and time must be converted as they were in the Apostolic age. To-night Mr. Brown will use as his subject "From a Pig Pen to a Palace."

It is an interesting subject and he will doubtless be heard by a very large congregation. Saturday night he will deliver an illustrated lecture on "Japan." A silver offering will be taken.

MR. HORNE'S PLACE CLOSED.

Foreclosure of a Mortgage Held by Mrs. D. L. T. Capps.

The doors of the pool room of Mr. Melvin Horne, 121-123 Princess street, were closed yesterday morning and notice posted to the effect that the place had been closed under a mortgage held by Mrs. D. L. T. Capps and by the power vested in that document the property would be offered for sale to the highest bidder on December 30th. The amount of the mortgage held against the property, which includes all of the furniture and fixtures, is \$3,300. Mr. Horne was not able to meet the last payment and directed the mortgagee to take charge of affairs. Mr. Horne has been ill with fever for about ten days or two weeks and unable to give the business his attention. Messrs. Kellum & Loughlin represent the mortgagee.

A Policeman's Testimony.

J. N. Patterson, night policeman of Nashua, Iowa, writes: "Last Winter I had a bad cold on my lungs and tried at least half a dozen advertised cures and medicines and had treatment from two physicians without getting any benefit. A friend recommended Foley's Honey and Tar and two-thirds of a bottle cured me. I consider it the greatest cough and lung medicine in the world." Robt. R. Bellamy.

CASES IN SUPERIOR COURT

Several Actions Tried and Judgments Signed Yesterday—Divorce Granted—Trial of Small Suit Now in Progress.

When Superior Court adjourned for the day at 5:30 o'clock yesterday afternoon the case of J. D. Lowry against the Cape Fear Dairy Company was well under way and will be completed some time this morning. The plaintiff is suing for \$145 alleged to be due for sinking a well for the defendant some months ago. The action is hotly contested on both sides, Herbert McClammy, Esq., appearing for the plaintiff and Hon. John D. Bellamy and Marsden Bellamy, Esq., for the defendant.

The task of selecting a jury was commenced upon convening the afternoon session at 3 o'clock. It took an hour to select 12 men suitable to both sides. Mr. M. L. Winner was one of those called to the box. Mr. McClammy objected to him on the ground that he had a suit pending and at issue in Superior court. As the answer in the action had not been filed Judge Allen ruled that Mr. Winner was competent to serve on the jury. Mr. McClammy then asked a favor that Mr. Winner be excused on the ground that he and Mr. Winner were not on friendly terms. In reply to a question from Judge Allen, Mr. Winner said that the fact that he and Mr. McClammy were not on friendly terms would not influence him in arriving at a verdict in the case. Further inquiry developed the fact that no disposition has yet been made of the case in Superior Court wherein Mr. Winner is charged with selling whiskey and he was excused by Judge Allen. The 12th jury was soon selected and the trial commenced at 4 o'clock. Mr. McClammy entered objections to witnesses answering various questions propounded by opposing counsel, but he was overruled in nearly every instance, which led to considerable debate.

Just before the noon recess Jeff Lewis, a white man, was granted a divorce from his wife, Mamie Lewis, infidelity being the cause of action. Woodus Kellum, Esq., appeared for the plaintiff. The action was not contested.

The American School of Correspondence obtained a verdict against Chas. McMillan for \$13.80 alleged to be due on a course. Kellum & Loughlin represented the defendant. The verdict was not represented by counsel.

The trial of the case entitled Climax Cap Co., against D. Lowenstein commenced about two hours of the morning session. The defendant was suing for \$40 alleged to be due on a shipment of caps. The jury returned a verdict in favor of the defendant from which the plaintiff excepted and appealed to the Supreme Court, appeal bond being fixed at \$25. Herbert McClammy, Esq., represented the plaintiff and Marsden Bellamy, Esq., the defendant.

It appearing that the case of C. S. VanAmringe against A. G. Ricard and C. W. Polvogt had been compromised a judgment in favor of plaintiff for \$55 was signed. The case entitled C. S. VanAmringe against A. G. Ricard for \$10, was dismissed at cost of plaintiff, the same facts appearing as in the other case.

Judgment for non-suit was signed in the case of Scipio Mallett against The Workers' Mutual Life & Health Insurance Company. The case of the Angola Lumber Co., against R. H. Reville, et al., was continued.

SECRETARY JOHNSON HERE.

Comes From Charlotte for the Boys' Conference at Y. M. C. A.

Secretary J. A. Johnson, of the students and boys Y. M. C. A. Department, of the Carolinas, arrived yesterday from Charlotte to be present at the Boys' Conference, which opens with a meeting this evening at the Y. M. C. A. During the next few days there will probably be a number of meetings at the Association in the interest of the boys of the city.

Secretary Johnson has been engaged in Y. M. C. A. work for a number of years, having also under his direction the College Associations in the two States and he speaks most encouragingly of the work. The Bible Study Club is proving a most successful feature of the work and Secretary Johnson stated yesterday that there were 1,800 members in the colleges. The Students' Volunteer Convention will be in progress for several days at Rock Hill next week and there will be 60 from the men's associations in the Carolinas to attend. There will also be a number from Y. W. C. A. to attend this conference, and the leading female colleges in the two States, a large party having already been formed at the State Normal in Greensboro, N. C.

A mass meeting in the boys' conference will be held Sunday afternoon at 4:30 o'clock at Grace Methodist Church. All persons more than 16 years of age are invited to attend. The programme for this meeting was announced this morning and it is as follows: Hymn; Scripture Lesson and Prayer by Rev. Thos. A. Stedman, pastor of Grace Methodist Church; introduction of the speaker by Mr. W. H. Sprunt, chairman of the meeting; address on the topic, "The Community and the Boys" by Mr. C. C. Robinson; selections by the Acme Quartette.

This morning Mr. Robinson will speak to the boys of the High School and the Union and Hemenway schools.

TO EXTEND GAS MAINS.

Announcement of Improved Service From Tidewater Company.

It is announced from the offices of the Tidewater Power Company that extensive additions will be undertaken to the gas mains of the city at once. The pipe has already arrived and the work will begin within the next few days. The extensions will be on Queen from Front to Seventh street, Seventh from Queen to Ann, and on Market from Ninth street to Carolina Heights, with quite a number of minor extensions in various parts of the city. It is stated that the installation of the additional mains will greatly improve the pressure in several areas of the city.

PLANS FOR A NEW EDIFICE

Congregation of Church of Good Shepherd Called to Meet to Consider Matter of New Building. History of Church.

The congregation of the Church of the Good Shepherd, Sixth and Queen streets, will have a handsome new brick house of worship in the not distant future, if the plans of the vestry are carried out. The vestry has caused to be issued a call for a meeting of the parish for December 15th, when the matter of providing a new church building will be fully considered.

A meeting of the newly elected vestry was held Wednesday night at which an organization was perfected by the election of officers as follows: Senior warden, J. H. Burris; junior warden, J. M. Lord; secretary, C. H. Thompson; treasurer, D. D. Barber. With the exception of Mr. J. M. Lord, who is a new member of the vestry, the officers were re-elected. The other members of the vestry are Messrs. R. S. Pridden, J. E. Irving and Henry Willoughby. In view of the plans for a new brick church building the vestry was increased from three to seven. The following sketch of the work at the Church of the Good Shepherd has been prepared and will be read with interest by those who have watched with interest and pleasure the growth of this parish:

Sketch of the Church.
The Church of the Good Shepherd grew out of a work begun in 1870 in which was then known as St. James' Home, at James' Square, but for the last 15 years or more it has been situated at corner of Sixth and Queen streets.

This valuable property was the gift of A. J. Delton, of honored memory in the church and in the community. In 1870 his daughter, Mrs. Kate Delton Meares, opened a Sunday school, and later a day school, being assisted by an efficient corps of women, who aided in the spiritual and social work of the mission. Later, Miss Sule A. Price became resident worker, living on the church property. She has accomplished a work that cannot easily be estimated in its beneficial influence among the women and girls particularly, a very large number of whom are now enrolled in the various organizations, viz: Improvement Club; Girls' Friendly Society, with its Junior chapter of candidates. The Parish Guild, a very efficient branch of the Woman's Auxiliary is doing its faithful work under the presidency of Mrs. Sarah Burris.

A notable feature of this interesting work is the record of the superintendent of the Sunday school, Mr. J. H. Boutwell, who has been in most faithful attendance for about 37 years of unbroken service. He is a devoted and noble labor of love. Since 1900, Rev. Thomas P. Noe has been in charge of the work at the Good Shepherd church, under his leadership, the congregation has been steadily endeavoring to become a more self-sustaining and self-sustaining body, a large measure of success has already been achieved.

At the autumn of 1906, the mission was made independent of the mother Parish of St. James, which has fostered this work since its inception. In May, 1907, the Church of the Good Shepherd became a regular and was placed into full standing in the Council of the Diocese, having been aided in this achievement by an endowment for the use from the Armand J. Delton Memorial Fund, by the vestry of St. James Parish. The parish of the Good Shepherd is a most devout and well appointed recreation hall and parish building, was erected in 1906, largely from the proceeds of St. James' Square.

Although from its inception, the work of the church in the Parish of the Good Shepherd has been largely made possible by the benefaction of Dr. Delton, to the good recognition of this fact has ever been made. It is therefore not inappropriate that the newly elected vestry, mindful of the indebtedness to the benefaction of these gifts, should place itself on record, as voicing its appreciation in the following unanimous resolutions:

"First, that the new church whose erection is now begun in faith, be called, as at the Church of the Good Shepherd, the Church of the Good Shepherd, and that the corner stone or a suitable tablet in the new church bear the following or an equivalent inscription:

"Church of the Good Shepherd, erected to the glory of God and in grateful memory of Dr. A. J. Delton, benefactor of the church, which has grown in numbers and influence, and it now contains communion and membership of 230 confirmed persons and 300 baptisms. The Sunday school numbers more than 200 pupils with 100 teachers and loyal teachers. A large number of organizations for girls and boys and adults make the wide range of community life. An Emmanuel clinic twice a week in the Good Shepherd hall is ministering healing and happiness to large numbers of people in the city, irrespective of religious affiliation.

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APPEAL TO THE PUBLIC.

Salvation Army Will Remember the Poor During Holidays.

Ensign and Mrs. Williams, in charge of the local post of the Salvation Army, are very grateful for a number of donations made for the annual distribution of charity during the Christmas holidays but wish to remind the public that there is still great need and that any further donations in cash or kind will be thankfully received and used to best advantage. A letter has recently been issued by the officers in charge of the local post outlining what is proposed to do and what will be required. They are preparing this year to give Christmas dinner to 500 needy families and these will be sent in baskets so the repeats may be enjoyed at home. The expense for such an undertaking is very heavy, even for the distribution, and Ensign and Mrs. Williams hope for a liberal response from the people generally. Checks should be made payable to the Salvation Army. A basket will be gladly provided for any needy family the donor may suggest in making his gift.

PEUMONIA

Foley's Orino Laxative is best for women and children. Its mild action and pleasant taste makes it preferable to violent purgatives, such as pills, tablets, etc. Cures constipation. Robt. R. Bellamy.

PASTED AWAY AT ADVANCED AGE LAST NIGHT—FUNERAL.

Many friends will learn with infinite regret of the death of Mrs. Annie Elizabeth Strauss, wife of Mr. John H. Strauss, which occurred at her home, 709 North Fourth street, at 7:15 o'clock last night, of a complication of diseases. She had been in declining health for some time, but the illness which terminated in her death extended over a period of only about six weeks. While not entirely unexpected, her death came as a great shock to her many friends and loved ones. Mrs. Strauss was Miss Annie Elizabeth Smith before her marriage and was born in this county July 28, 1832, making her in the 77th year of her age. She was a consistent member of the First Baptist church and in former years was an active worker in the church. She is survived by her husband, two sons, Mr. W. A. Strauss, of this city, and Mr. J. D. Strauss, of Bolton, and one daughter, Miss Ida M. Strauss, of this city. They have the sympathy of a great many friends in their bereavement.

The funeral services will be conducted from the residence at 4 o'clock this afternoon by Rev. Dr. A. D. McClure, pastor of St. Andrew's Presbyterian church, in the absence of her pastor, who is attending the Baptist State convention in Wadesboro. The interment will be in Oakdale cemetery.

BACK FROM WASHINGTON.

Mr. B. F. Keith, collector of customs, returned yesterday from Washington, D. C., where he was in attendance upon the annual meeting of the National Rivers and Harbors Congress for two days. He reports a large attendance and much interest in the Congress.

ST. PAUL'S LUTHER LEAGUE.

There will be a meeting of St. Paul's Luther League at 8:15 o'clock tonight at which two subjects will be presented, viz: "Pressing to the Mark," by Mr. William Cronenberg, and "Heavenly Citizenship," by Miss Gesine Mohr. Since this is the first meeting of the month, the devotional part of the meeting will be followed by a business session.

A most suitable Christmas present, a pair of gold spectacles or eye glasses, fitted by Dr. Vineberg, at Kingsbury's drug store, Masonic Temple. Come in and see our holiday stock. Eyes examined free. de 9-4.

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Don't Dress In the Cold

The New "Vulcan" Gas Heater will warm the bed room in a few moments.

"The Heater With the Red Cone"

The Gas Co. Sells Them

CORDIAL WELCOME TO PASTOR.

Rev. and Mrs. W. L. Rexford Move to Bladen Street Parsonage.

Rev. W. L. Rexford, pastor of Bladen Street Methodist Church for the present conference year, moved his family to the Bladen Street parsonage last evening, arriving at 6 o'clock. They were given a most cordial reception by members of that congregation. There were several ladies present and they had supper prepared for the family. After supper, other members of the church, men, women and children, began to arrive, laden with good things to eat, until the house was filled. Each one brought something for the ladies in the parlor and spent a most pleasant two hours with Rev. and Mrs. Rexford. The cordial reception which they received is deeply appreciated by Rev. and Mrs. Rexford and they extend their heartiest thanks to the members of the congregation. Mr. Rexford served Trinity Methodist church for the last four years and while that congregation regretted to give him up it is a pleasure to know that he was not given an appointment that would have taken him to another town.

Rev. E. R. Welch, the new pastor of Trinity church, will arrive tonight with his family from Fayetteville, where they have been visiting Mr. Welch's parents for the past few days. Mr. Welch was in charge of Holly Springs circuit the past year. Members of Trinity church are planning to give Mr. Welch and family a most cordial greeting upon their arrival to-night.

Rev. W. E. Hocutt, retiring pastor of Bladen Street Church, left Wednesday afternoon with his family for Newbern, where they will visit relatives for a few days. He will begin his pastorate at Jenkins Memorial Church, Raleigh, one week from Sunday.

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ST. PAUL'S LUTHER LEAGUE.

There will be a meeting of St. Paul's Luther League at 8:15 o'clock tonight at which two subjects will be presented, viz: "Pressing to the Mark," by Mr. William Cronenberg, and "Heavenly Citizenship," by Miss Gesine Mohr. Since this is the first meeting of the month, the devotional part of the meeting will be followed by a business session.

A most suitable Christmas present, a pair of gold spectacles or eye glasses, fitted by Dr. Vineberg, at Kingsbury's drug store, Masonic Temple. Come in and see our holiday stock. Eyes examined free. de 9-4.

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BOYS' ATHLETIC MEET.

Races and Other Events at League Park Tomorrow Afternoon.

An interesting feature in connection with the Boys' Conference, conducted by Mr. C. C. Robinson, secretary of this department in the Southern States, at the Y. M. C. A. beginning this evening will be an athletic meet of students of Hemenway and Union schools at League Park tomorrow afternoon at 3 o'clock.

The meet will consist of the usual track features and will be particularly exciting and interesting as arranged between the two schools. The boys have been practicing for the event for some time and are in training to give possibly the best exhibition of the kind ever seen in the city. The public has been extended a cordial invitation to attend. The prizes for the events have been offered by the following business firms: Victor E. Zoeller & Co., silver cup; George Honnet, silver cup; J. M. Solty & Co., sweater; J. W. Murchison & Co., watch; W. E. Springer & Co., two knives; People's Savings Bank, cash prize; C. W. Yates & Co., fountain pen; Solomon Shoe Store, one pair shoes; Wilmington Stamp Works, rubber type outfit; Munson & Co., belt; A. Shirley, tie; J. W. Fleet, C. O. belt; Sloan & Sweeney, knife; A. David Co., Scotch cap.

THE NEW SEASHORE.

Water Color Drawing of Extensive Improvements on Display.

In the large show windows of the Tidewater Power Company was placed yesterday a very handsome painting in water colors of "The New Seashore" hotel, on Wrightsville Beach, as it will appear when the extensive improvements for next season are completed, as recently outlined in this paper. The drawing is by Architect Jos. F. Leitner and it is a very fine piece of work, showing the annex to the hotel, the steel pier jutting out into the ocean, the improvements to the grounds, building of the covered station, etc., all of which will cost many thousands of dollars, but which will provide Wrightsville with possibly the finest hotel property south of Atlantic City. The drawing is in the window for exhibition purposes and the public is invited to drop by and see it.

The \$25,000 stock recently voted to the capitalization of the company is being rapidly subscribed for by patrons of the hotel from this and other States. All not subscribed for on January 1st, when contracts for building pier and annex will be let, will be divided between present stockholders and to Wilmington stockholders. Work will start immediately after the first of January and will be all completed by the

SOCIAL and PERSONAL

Brief Mention, News of Societies, Meetings, etc

A well attended and interesting meeting of the Wilmington Sub-division of the Red Cross Society was held at the Colonial Inn yesterday morning at 11 o'clock. The principal matter before the meeting was with reference to the sale of Christmas Red Cross stamps. Forty thousand additional stamps were ordered yesterday. Already 10,000 have been placed on sale in this city.

The following invitation has been received by friends:

Mr. William Osborne Bennett requests the pleasure of your company at the marriage of his daughter Mrs. Harriet Eleanor Harrison, to Mr. Benjamin Thorneall McBryde on the evening of Wednesday, the fifteenth of December at seven o'clock, at home, Wadesboro, North Carolina.

Invitations have been received to the crystal wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Charles M. Hobbs, of Rockingham, as follows:

Mr. and Mrs. Charles M. Hobbs at home Tuesday evening, December the fourteenth, at eight o'clock, Rockingham, North Carolina. Charles M. Hobbs, Mattie B. MacAuley.

Cards reading as follows have been received in the city:

Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Richardson request the honor of your presence at the marriage of their granddaughter Miss Lily Helen Pair.

Mr. John Aisey Park on Thursday afternoon, the twenty-third of December at half after one o'clock Presbyterian Church, Kenly, North Carolina.

Attractive invitations have been received in the city as follows:

The American Trust Company has the honor to invite to the opening of the American Building its New Banking Quarters 26 South Tryon street Charlotte North Carolina December fifteenth ten A. M. to five P. M. 1909.

The officers of the American Trust Company are George Stephens, president; T. S. Franklin and W. S. Lee, vice presidents; W. H. Wood, secretary and treasurer, and J. E. Davis, assistant secretary and treasurer. The new bank building is one of the most handsome in Charlotte.

The Polinetta Tea and Sale of fancy articles given by St. John's Branch, Junior Auxiliary, at the home of Mrs. James F. Woolvin, 305 Chesnut street, from 4 to 7 o'clock yesterday afternoon, was a most successful affair, both financially and socially. The attendance being very large. The home was attractively and appropriately decorated for the occasion. A delightful programme, consisting of musical numbers and recitations, was rendered by the children. Tea was served and candy and fancy articles were on sale. A particularly interesting feature of the occasion was the presentation of the North Pole, about which there has been so much dispute between Cook and Peary. The pole was there and upon it was the candy which was offered for sale. Santa Claus occupied a conspicuous place on the pole to prove beyond any doubt that he still holds possession of that portion of the world, and that he is prepared to be supreme in that dominion regardless of the adventures of Cook and Peary. From the top of the pole waved United States flags and attached to the pole was an appropriate poem about Santa Claus and the icy regions. The pole is for sale and there will doubtless be many who will want to gain possession of it.

BEAUTIFUL PINK AND GREEN HOME WEDDING.

A very elaborate and beautiful pink and green wedding was celebrated at the home of the bride, 116 North Fifth street, at 5 o'clock yesterday afternoon, when Miss Viola Bear, a beautiful and accomplished young lady, was given in marriage to Mr. Sigmund Wallace, a prominent business man of Statesville, N. C. Owing to the prominence of the couple, very general interest surrounded the marriage. The home was beautifully decorated and a large wedding party, including many from the city, were present. The bride's party came down the stairs and entered the parlor in the following order: First, the little ring bearer, Miss Mary Schloss, dressed in white over pink, and the ribbon bearer, Master Harold Sternberger, who wore white. Next was the maid of honor, Miss Mamie C. Nathan, of this city, preceding the bride, leaning on the arm of her brother, Mr. Isaac Bear, who gave her in marriage. The groom accompanied by his best man and brother, Mr. Herman Wallace, of Statesville, entered the parlor from the library and joined the bride at the altar, where the impressive ceremony was performed.

The bride, always beautiful and attractive, was a picture of loveliness in her handsome gown of white crepe de meteor, trimmed with Duchess lace, with veil of real lace caught up with a spray of orange blossoms. She carried a bouquet of Lilies of the Valley and orchids. The maid of honor was beautifully attired in pink satin, trimmed in crystal and silver, and

carried a bouquet of roses. Immediately following the ceremony a brilliant and most enjoyable reception was given in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Wallace and the bridal party. The reception was largely attended. Miss Jeanette Frank gracefully presided at the bride's book and Mrs. Sadie Lee Bear, of Raleigh, presented each guest with a wedding cake box. Just prior to the beautiful ceremony the candles were lighted by Miss Carrie Hoffman, of Statesville.

Mr. and Mrs. Wallace left on the 7 o'clock train for points of interest in the North, and will be at home in Statesville after January 10th. The bride is a daughter of the late Solomon Bear and Mrs. Henrietta Bear, of Wilmington, and is exceedingly popular with all within the range of her wide acquaintance. She is a graduate of Kohat School, New York City, and is a most highly accomplished young lady. Her attractive personality and charming manner have endeared her to all with whom she came in contact and she is one of the most attractive, accomplished and popular young ladies in the circle within which she moved in Wilmington. Her innumerable friends regret her departure from this city, but hope that she will return frequently on visits.

The groom is a member of the firm of Wallace Bros. & Co., wholesale dry goods merchants, of Statesville, and is a prominent and popular in business circles of that town as well as in social circles.

A magnificent array of beautiful and costly presents were received from friends here and at a distance, attesting in a measure the popularity of the couple in Wilmington and at other places where they are known. All day telegrams of congratulations were received at the Bear home.

Among the out-of-town guests here for the marriage were: Mrs. Sadie Lee Bear, of Raleigh; Miss Nina Lowenstein, of Brooklyn, N. Y.; Mrs. Albert Baron and little son, of New York City; Miss Nina Gans, of Richmond, Va.; Miss Carrie Hoffman, of Statesville; Mr. and Mrs. I. J. Sternberger, formerly of this city, but now of New York; Mr. Max Moses, of Statesville; Mr. Jack Spitz, of New York; Mr. Mont Selig, of Atlanta, Ga.; Mr. Herman Wallace, of Statesville.

A brilliant and most enjoyable reception was given at the Bear home last night in honor of the visitors here for the marriage. At 8 o'clock an elaborate supper was served, following which there was a dance. The pleasant event was largely attended and proved one of the most enjoyable of the many social affairs arranged in honor of the nuptials.

THE RECORDER'S COURT.

Two Negroes Sentenced to the Roads.

Yesterday's session of the Recorder's court was the longest and perhaps the most interesting since the trial of the "blind tigers" a few weeks ago. There were only three defendants, both sides were represented by counsel and the cases were stubbornly contested.

Wm. Lee, colored, given a preliminary hearing Wednesday afternoon before Justice A. Silverman on three separate charges of stealing chickens, was found guilty by the Recorder and sentenced to two months on the roads in each case, an aggregate of six months. He was defended by Wm. J. Bellamy and L. Clayton Grant, Esqs., who gave notice of an appeal to Superior court. Bond was fixed at \$50 in each case, in default of which he went to jail. Geo. L. Peschau, Esq., appeared for the prosecution.

Tyson Brown, colored, given a preliminary hearing before Justice George Harris Wednesday, was found guilty of stealing five logs from the Chabourn Sash, Door & Lumber Co., and was sentenced to six months on the roads, from which an appeal to Superior Court was taken. L. Clayton Grant, Esq., appeared for the defendant and Woodus Kellum, Esq., for the prosecution.

The trial of Peter Drake, colored, charged with stealing logs from the same company, which was commenced Wednesday, was resumed yesterday morning. The warrant was amended to charge him with catching logs afloat in the river and offering them for sale without first advertising, according to Chapter 52 of the Public Laws of 1909. He was fined \$10 and costs. Woodus Kellum, Esq., prosecuted, and W. P. Gafford, Esq., defended.

Interesting Civil Action. An interesting civil action will be heard before Justice Bornemann this morning at 10:30 o'clock entitled Randolph Davis against Herbert Croom. The plaintiff is a colored man and the defendant is a well known horse trader. The negro is suing for \$10 and for the recovery of a mortgage. He alleges that he bought a horse from Mr. Croom Wednesday which was not as represented and he carried the animal back demanding the \$10 cash he paid down and the mortgage he had given on the horse and his cart and harness. The defendant refused, he alleges to comply with his request and the suit follows.

DAMFORD WAS SUICIDE

Stranger Proved to be Former Member of World's Staff. Savannah, Ga., Dec. 9.—Though apparently he made every effort to conceal his identity the mysterious stranger who killed himself in a lonely field east of the city last Friday has at least been identified as Charles Bamford, formerly on the staff of the New York World.

The identification was made just as the coroner had ordered his burial here. The body will be sent to New York.

NEGRO KILLS WHITE MAN.

Feeling Runs High at Harlem, Ga.—Threats of Lynching. Harlem, Ga., Dec. 9.—As a result of the killing of Zack Kendrick, an aged white man, near here last night, feeling is intense against Julian Daggett, a negro, in jail here, accused of the crime and it is thought that an attempt will be made to lynch him at night.

A. C. MOORE, OF CURRIE, DEAD

Well Known Citizen of Pender, From Distinguished Family of Revolutionary Period—The Funeral Today.

Many friends in this city and elsewhere throughout this section of the State will be shocked and saddened to learn of the death of Mr. A. C. Moore, of Currie, which occurred Wednesday night at his home after a brief but very critical illness, following an acute attack of appendicitis, for which an operation was performed the same day by Drs. Slocum and Strosnider, of Wilmington, and Drs. Lucas and Hogard, of Currie.

It was briefly announced in yesterday morning's paper that Mr. Moore was in extremis and while the death was not unexpected, it came as a sad blow to family and friends. Mr. Moore was about 50 years of age and had never married. For a number of years he had been a general merchant at Currie and had lived all his life in that section, being a descendant of the original settlers there who bore an important part in the War of the Revolution and for whom the Battle of Moore's Creek took its name. He was a son of the late Jas. D. and Mrs. Mary Moore and is survived by three brothers, all prominent in their respective spheres of endeavor. They are Mr. Jas. F. Moore, president of the Moore's Creek Memorial Association and a leading citizen of his county; Mr. E. A. Moore, a merchant of this city, and Mr. Walter C. Moore, who is engaged in the cotton milling business at Greenville, S. C. They have the sympathy of a host of friends in the bereavement which has come to them.

Mr. A. C. Moore was one of the most genial spirits the writer has ever known. The soul of honor, energetic, progressive and always willing to lend a hand in any movement for the uplift of his country or mankind, he was a citizen whose place in the community cannot be filled. He took an active, wholesome interest in public affairs and his influence and his presence was felt in any movement to which he lent his aid. Exceedingly modest and unassuming, he never received credit for what really was his. His Christian character was beautiful, being one of those many men for whose living in every community the world is the better. He was an elder in the Cape Fear Church and was devoted to his God, to his church and to his country. The funeral will be conducted at 10 o'clock this morning and the burial will be in the family cemetery, Cedarvale, the family estate near Currie.

LOCAL DOTS.

—Capt. James I. Metts announces a meeting of Cape Fear Camp, U. C. V., for this evening at 8 o'clock at the W. L. I. armory, for the purpose of filling the vacancy in the officers of the camp by the death of Adjutant Price. A full attendance is desired.

—At the store of the Gerken Tobacco Company a box has been placed in which the Odd Fellows will appreciate any contributions of coupons in the profit sharing contest now in progress at the store, the object being to secure the handsome silver set for the I. O. O. F. Orphan's Home at Goldsboro.

—Judge Oliver H. Allen yesterday signed an order making C. C. Loughlin, Esq., permanent receiver of the Wilmington Sash, Door & Lumber Company. Mr. Loughlin has been temporary receiver of the affairs of the company for several weeks, being appointed upon the petition of H. A. DeCover, president and principal stockholder of the concern.

—Two deeds were filed for record yesterday as follows: Wm. H. Wald and wife to Mamie M. Moore, for \$1 and love and affection, lot on south side of Green, 82 1/2 feet east of Dickson street, 66x82 1/2 feet in size; T. R. Bryan, of Portsmouth, Va., to D. R. Foster and wife, for \$10 and other considerations, on south side of Bladen, 159 feet and nine inches east of Eighth street, 31x66 feet in size.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

—Mr. A. H. Anderson of Burgaw, was in the city yesterday making business calls.

—Mr. J. O. Brown and daughter, Miss Maxie Brown, will leave this morning for Onslow county, where they will attend the quarterly meeting of the Primitive Baptist Church and spend a few days very pleasantly with friends in that section. They expect to return Sunday.

—Mr. Frank Williams, who has recently taken a position with the Underwood Typewriter Company, returned yesterday from a business trip of a few days to Richmond, Va. He will take up his new duties with the typewriter company during the coming year.

—Rev. G. D. Langston, who was assigned to a charge at Henderson at the recent session of the Methodist Conference in Raleigh, spent yesterday in the city on his way to the former place from Southport, where he has been pastor of the church for a number of years.

—Among those registered at The Orion yesterday were Thos. H. Walker, Greenwood, S. C.; W. W. Simpson, Augusta, Ga.; Mr. and Mrs. G. L. Clark, Clarkton; J. S. MacRae, Maxton; A. M. Sinclair, Asheville; W. E. Kyle, Fayetteville; W. V. McRae, Southport; Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Crowell, Whiteville; S. A. L. Johnson, Abbeville, N. C.

SHIPS OFF THE CAPES.

Winter Maneuvers of Atlantic Fleet Are in Progress. Norfolk, Va., Dec. 9.—Under the direction of its commander in chief, Rear Admiral Schroeder, the Atlantic battleship fleet, today is hard at work in evolutions and maneuvers, some 30 miles off the Virginia Capes on what is known as the Southern Drill Grounds. These drills will continue there next week and the ships then will come in to Hampton Roads preparatory to going to New York harbor to allow the men Christmas leave.

Weather conditions outside the capes today are ideal for the battle practice of the fleet.

The Theatre

The sale of seats for "The Climax" the great play that will be offered at the Academy tomorrow night, only, will commence this morning at the Crystal Palace. Indications point to a large audience, such as the splendid attraction deserves. The press of the South has joined with the press of the North in praising the attraction. The Montgomery, (Ala.) Advertiser last Saturday paid the company splendid tribute and the Nashville (Tenn.) American, devoted nearly a column in praising the attraction, and from which is taken the following:

"There is just one word in the English language that comprehends the delicate art, the tender pathos, the simplicity, the charm of Edward Locke's play, 'The Climax'. That one word is 'exquisite'. And Pauline Perry in the leading role is the soul of the piece. Her interpretation of the message and meaning and tone of the play is a gem of a luster so pure and clear that it will lose none of its beauty by comparison."

The Locke play was produced in Nashville last night at the Vendome. It is said to the lasting credit of the theatre-going public of the city that a splendidly appreciative audience saw and heard and was won by the charm of the play. It should be seen by every man and woman in Nashville, who appreciates dramatic art, by every one who appreciates a new and original idea, worked out in action, in the clash of character upon character, and interpreted by a cast that measures up to the requirements of the play.

"The Red Mill."

Those who see the new Henry Blossom and Victor Herbert comic opera, "The Red Mill," will easily understand its great vogue at the Knickerbocker theatre, New York City, for one entire year. The absence of any suggestive situations, modest dressing, the pretty love story and the exquisite music, together with the picturesque and dainty costumes, the quaint scenery and the good, wholesome humor, and moreover, the thorough exploitation by the perfect organization of some sixty people, are the basis of its solid foundation of success. "The Red Mill" will be presented at the Academy of Music next Monday night. Seats will go on sale tomorrow morning.

The new bill that went on at the Crystal Palace yesterday was a fine one and was royally greeted by large audiences. The Haynes continue to be a big hit at the Palace, while the other acts are also decidedly clever. Miss Emma Brockway Austin was heard yesterday in one of the prettiest illustrated songs ever rendered in this city.

Tonight two seats to "The Climax" will be given away at the first performance, and, no doubt, a large audience will be present to contest for them. The big \$15 doll, which is shortly to be given away, is attracting much attention and many explanations of admiration.

Noted Star Coming. Miss Adelaide Thurston, well known to theatre-goers, will present a bright, clever comedy, called "Contrary Mary" at the Academy next Tuesday night. In her latest play, Miss Thurston will appear in the role of "Mary Erwin" which is said to be equal to her Lady Babble, which she played in The Little Minister.

At the Bijou Today. "The Game," a story of love and modern business caught from that seething commercial maelstrom, the Chicago Board of Trade, a powerful dramatic story depicting in vivid and realistic style the game of finance, will be the feature film at the Bijou this afternoon and evening. This is one of the Essany Films and is guaranteed by the management which is striving in every way possible to make their offerings up-to-date and clean.

AGAINST THE SOLDIERS.

Court of Inquiry Obtained Conclusive Evidence. Washington, Dec. 9.—Conclusive evidence is said to have been secured by the military court of inquiry into the "shooting up" of Brownsville, Texas, that members of the 25th infantry, colored, who were within the fort fired on the town at the time their companions were racing through the streets of the Texas town shooting right and left. This evidence, it is reported, is considered conclusive.

None of the members of the court of inquiry would discuss the matter, but it is intimated that a demand for the annulment of the entire proceedings which are provided by law, will be demanded by the Southern delegations in Congress. Thus the bitter debate that marked the final days of the Roosevelt administration threatens to be renewed.

The evidence discovered by the officers which compose the court is said to be the most complete and complete proof. Certain members, it is reported, made personal examinations of buildings across the road from the fort in Brownsville. They discovered bullet holes in the sides of these houses. Continuing their investigation they discovered the bullets which were of the regulation army design. Following back the line of fire as shown by the track of the bullet the marksmen could have been nowhere else than within the barracks.

SOUTHERN NAVY YARDS.

Meyer Assures Delegation That They Will Not Be Abandoned. Washington, Dec. 9.—Secretary of the Navy Meyer is not in favor of abandoning any of the Southern Navy Yards, at least until after the completion of the Panama canal.

The Secretary's views on this subject were made known today to a delegation of prominent business men of New Orleans, who called upon him and known as the Southern Drill Grounds. These drills will continue there next week and the ships then will come in to Hampton Roads preparatory to going to New York harbor to allow the men Christmas leave. Weather conditions outside the capes today are ideal for the battle practice of the fleet.

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ITS AFFECT ON IRELAND

England's Political Crisis—Thanks Expressed to Americans.

London, Dec. 7.—John E. Redmond, leader of the Irish party, has forwarded a manifesto to T. P. O'Connor, president of the United Irish Club of Great Britain, who is now New York addressed to the friends of Ireland in the United States and dealing with the British political crisis.

Mr. Redmond congratulates Mr. O'Connor on the success of his mission in America and expresses the gratitude of the Irish party at the warm response of the American people to Ireland's appeal. The manifesto says: "Never has the situation confronting Ireland been at the same time more critical and more hopeful."

Then outlining the broad principles of the struggle which has arisen between the House of Lords and the House of Commons, it continues: "As between the two great English parties in this contest the Irish party stands absolutely independent. Not for 130 years has such an opportunity been offered to Ireland. The Lords have been recently described by Rosebery and Lansdowne as the only remaining safeguard against the granting of home rule to Ireland. All that is necessary to enable Ireland to profit by this opportunity is that the unity, discipline and efficiency of the party be maintained."

"But the Irish party is threatened with grave danger. Against it are arrayed great and wealthy interests and the unionists have declared their intention of naming candidates in every constituency in Ireland with the avowed purpose of exhausting the party's funds. This policy was tried against Parnell in 1886 and failed ignominiously, thanks to America's generous support."

ABOUT MOVING PICTURES.

Something of Their Staging and Manufacture—At the Bijou.

So many of the Pathe picture films are shown at the Bijou theatre, and are enjoyed by so many Wilmington theatregoers that a little information concerning the leading producers of the moving picture world will not be unwelcome to the thousands of amusement lovers who derive so much pleasure from the results of their artistic efforts.

The Pathe Freres (Pathe Brothers) occupy ten acres of ground, operate four enormous factories and have a staff of over 3,000 employees. Their plants are located in Paris, Joinville-le-Pont, Montreuil, Sous Bois and Vincennes, where they have dozens of photographic studios, two complete theatres and thousands of dollars worth of costumes and scenic equipment. At the present time they take over 4,000,000 pictures a day, which means about 14,519 miles of negative film a year.

ACADEMY, Saturday Night, December 11th

The Greatest of All Plays,

"The Climax"



"The Climax," Act 2nd. Engr. "She Will Some Day Sing Before Kings."

Seats now selling at the Crystal Palace. Scale to \$1.50.

ROOT ACTED HURRIEDLY.

Unintentionally Released the Secretary of Treasury's Report.

Washington, Dec. 7.—Senator Root, of New York, presiding in the Senate today in the temporary absence of Vice President Sherman created, all unknown to him at the time, a sensation among the newspaper men whose effects were even international.

Copies of the annual report of the Secretary of the Treasury were in the hands of the newspapers throughout the country and in Europe to be held in confidence for publication tomorrow afternoon. The report itself was still unsigned on the desk of Secretary MacVeagh.

By some means as yet undeciphered, two printed copies of the report found their way to the desk of the president of the Senate. Mr. Root handed the treasury report over the desk, with the routine announcement customary in such cases.

Instantly the keen-eyed reporters of the Senate floor flashed to wires the news that the report had become a public document, and the "release" clicked off to Chicago, to San Francisco, to New York, to Europe.

It was well nigh two hours before the fact that a blunder had been made was realized, upon the Secretary's insistence an effort was made to recall the release, but he soon came to appreciate that the mischief was in fact irreparable, and consented to waive the technicality and the release was confirmed.

An amusing feature of the mix up lies in the fact that the report should not have been down in the Senate at all, since in accordance with law it is addressed only to the Speaker of the House of Representatives.

LAWYERS IN CONGRESS

Bill to Prohibit Representing Concerns Under Government Control.

Washington, Dec. 7.—Legislation aimed at corporation lawyers in Congress particularly those who represent railroads is the object of a bill introduced today by Senator Borah, of Idaho.

Mr. Borah would prohibit Senators, representatives and delegates from representing as attorney or otherwise corporations, companies or persons doing a business over which the government exercises regulatory control. The law would exact the same penalty as that imposed now for violations of the act prohibiting members of Congress from representing concerns in suits in which the government is directly or indirectly interested—imprisonment not exceeding two years and a fine not exceeding \$10,000. Mr. Borah's bill was referred to the judiciary committee.

TAFT AND GERMANS.

Pleased With His Message to Congress—Comment.

Berlin, Dec. 9.—Official and journalistic comment upon President Taft's message to Congress notes with approval the attitude regarding the likelihood of trade wars with other countries as a consequence of the maximum duties clause of the tariff law. Mr. Taft's utterance respecting Nicaragua, though considered vague, are taken to mean that the United States will restore order in the republic.

MILEAGE BOOK CASE.

Dismissed by Judge in Columbia, S. C., Court Yesterday.

Columbia, S. C., Dec. 9.—Judge Monninger today non-suited James W. Toney in his suit against the Atlantic Coast Line testing mileage book regulations. Toney was put off on his way from Lake City to Florence, the conductor refusing his mileage and Toney declining to pay cash fare to the next station.

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NEW ORLEANS, U. S. A.

THE WEATHER

U. S. Department of Agriculture.
Weather Bureau.
Wilmington, N. C., Dec. 10, 1909.
Meteorological data for the 24 hours ending at 8 P. M. Thursday, Dec. 9th:
Temperature at 8 A. M., 40 degrees; 8 P. M., 42 degrees; maximum 53 degrees; minimum 39 degrees; mean 46 degrees.
Rainfall for the day, .00; for the month, .15 inch.
Stage of water in Cape Fear river at Fayetteville at 8 A. M. Wednesday 2.3 feet.

Weather Forecast.

For North Carolina—Fair, continued cold Friday; Saturday fair, not so cold in west portion; light to moderate north to northeast winds.

Port Calendar—Dec. 10:
Sun Rises, 7:07 A. M.
Sun Sets, 5:03 P. M.
Day's Length, 10 hrs. 7 min.
High water at Southampton 6:20 P. M.
High water at Wilmington 9:20 P. M.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

Crystal Palace—Today's Bill.
Academy of Music—The Climax.
Tidewater Power Co.—Gas Stoves.
Peterson & Ruffs—Xmas Slippers.
Ramos Typewriter Co.—State Agency.
Business Locals.
For Sale—Building on Corner.
Palace Market—Dressed Chickens.
Hilton Lumber Co.—Cheerful Fire.

A. C. L. WRECKS.

Two in Smash on Norfolk Division Night Before Last.

(Special Star Correspondence.)
Rocky Mount, N. C., Dec. 9.—On the Norfolk division of the Atlantic Coast Line yesterday two derailments, one of some little proportions blocked this main line from 2:30 yesterday afternoon until midnight. The wrecking crews at Piney Point and South Rocky Mount were called into commission, and the crew from this city got the little better of the argument. Norfolk was delayed about ten hours, while the train from Norfolk to Goldsboro, due here at 7:45 at night, passed through this city at 2:10.

Freight trains caused both wrecks, being operated into Norfolk as first and third sections of No. 272. The wreck of the third section was of small proportion and one car derailed at Roanoke river was the only trouble. The Piney Point wrecking crew found more trouble with the wreck of the first section of this freight, which was nothing other than a log train and seventeen log cars were thrown and the track torn up for a considerable distance near Whaley's. The wreck was caused by one of the standards to the third car from the engine breaking and the logs rolling down blocking the track and piling up 17 cars behind. The only person hurt was a white flagman, W. S. DeLoach, who had his left leg badly lacerated and mashed to a considerable extent.

EARLY HAVING TROUBLE.

Alleged Leper Unable to Secure Passage on the Trains.

Washington, Dec. 9.—Troubles seem to pile up ahead of John R. Early, "the leper." He expected to leave Washington today a free man to go to the Rockefeller Institute for medical research in New York for examination. This arrangement was made by his counsel with the health authorities yesterday and Surgeon General Wyman, of the Public Health and Marine Hospital Service, gave a permit for Early's transportation to New York with health authorities of the States of Maryland, Pennsylvania, Delaware and New Jersey, through which he will have to pass continuing.

When the railroad companies were approached a new objection bobbed up in the rates they intend to charge for Early's transportation. The Pennsylvania railroad decided to furnish a baggage car to Early for \$113.
Today Early drew all his back pension, \$196.80, which is all the money he has in the world, he says, and he doesn't want to pay nearly all of it to get to New York. Early's counsel then turned to the Baltimore & Ohio and negotiations with that company are now in progress.
Meanwhile Early is still quarantined on the government reservation here.

THE DERBY AT SPRAY

Contest Was Concluded Yesterday and Winners are Announced.
Spray, N. C., Dec. 9.—The members derby of the Virginia-Carolina Field Trials Association was concluded this afternoon.

The winners were First, Palmetto Nell, pointer, owned by Louis Washer, Richmond, Va.; second, Nantahala, setter, owned by E. P. Wilkins, River-ton, Va.; third contestant, setter, owned by George A. Sprinkel, Jr., Staunton, Va.; fourth, Olivetta B., setter, owned by Dr. Leigh Buckner, Roanoke, Va.

The free-for-all-stake was begun this afternoon. The dog doing the best work was the setter Oakley Hills King, owned and handled by A. G. Handley of Callands, Va. The setter dog Ransom Fred, owned by James B. Botts, of Roanoke, and handled by Tom Edwards of Newton, N. C., ran a fast, ranging heat, but he had no opportunity on birds. This stake will no doubt be finished by Friday noon.

DANVILLE MAN SHOT.

Contractor Fatally Wounded in Difficulty With Merchant.

Danville, Va., Dec. 9.—Lawrence Clark, aged about 60 years, a farmer and contractor of this county, was shot and probably fatally wounded today by Joseph T. Caldwell, a merchant. The shooting followed a difficulty at the store of Caldwell, about eight miles from here.
Bad blood, it is said, existed between the men for some time.

SWITCHMEN'S STRIKE.

Practically at a Standstill—Cold Weather Prevailing.

St. Paul, Dec. 9.—The switchmen's strike is practically at a standstill. The strikers insist that they have the railroad traffic tied up, while the railroad officials are equally certain they are gaining on the strikers. With the mercury ten degrees below zero, cold weather will undoubtedly handicap the railroad.

MIGGIONS THEME

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paper and its editor, urging that the pastor of the Baptist churches in the State set aside one day each year to be known as Recorder Day and that on that day, special effort be made to increase the circulation of the paper. He said that the report was right in saying that the Recorder is the one bond of unity in the convention and that without it, there would be confusion and that it is a leader in every good work more than a good medium of news. He said in closing that while the editor of the Recorder was a modest man he was no doormat and if anyone steps too hard upon him, he would speak out decidedly and Mr. Johnson said he thought more of him on that account.

Rev. H. C. Moore delivered an able address as editor of the Recorder and at its close a resolution was adopted requesting the publication of the address in pamphlet form. Among the many significant facts mentioned in the address one showed that the present circulation of the Recorder is 12-000. Mr. Moore said that there were probably 60,000 Baptists in the State of North Carolina, hence the subscription list of the paper was taking it into a small per cent. of the families of the State. Mr. Moore asked the members of the convention to put the Recorder on each individual prayer list to pray for the paper just as loved ones, missionaries and other interests of the church are prayed for each day.

Rev. C. L. Greaves read the report of State Missions and spoke to the same. He said that first, while in the estimation of many people North Carolina is the best part of the world still while we do not want to acknowledge it, some people here were woefully ignorant and woefully wicked and we as Baptists have to fight hard to overcome these conditions. We have to fight for Baptists with our own brain and our own money. We need to feel the importance of the weight and worth of our great responsibility. May we be delivered from those that puff up spirit which some people give evidence of who have nothing to be puffed up about, but we do need to feel the importance of the work before us.

"This State has sent out more men of influence to other States," said Mr. Greaves, "and in this way North Carolina has become a great moral and religious watershed for other States. Many of these men who have gone out from North Carolina are coming back and I hope there will not be much immigration in the future."

Speaking of the increase of foreigners in the United States Mr. Greaves said that in Newberry where he is a pastor at present, there are people speaking in more tongues than the Disciples heard on the day of Pentecost and urged the convention not to forget what Christianity should do for these people. He then paid a tribute to State Missions and to the men who are preaching the gospel in all parts of the State as representatives of the State Mission Board. "We are prone to forget these men," he said. "We forget them at the convention; we don't appreciate them; foreign missionary work is emphasized is well known, and is well provided for, but we do not know our home mission workers as we should. We ought to honor these men because God has laid their shoulders a great burden. There is in this State today a great responsibility resting upon us regarding State mission work. Why should God not call men to destitute home fields as well as to foreign fields? Remember the souls we are trying to win. We are given to emphasizing other things more than this and we owe a duty to this great work that up to the present time we have not discharged."

Rev. Livingston Johnson was the next speaker on the subject of Home Missions. He spoke first of the excellent work which the 148 missionary pastors of this convention are doing in North Carolina. Scores of these men, he said, were amply able to fill any pulpit in the State. He spoke next of the sacrifice and hardships which the wives of these missionaries endure and gladly endure for the sake of the work. "I fear," he said, "that State Missions will lose its grip upon our people, I am going to talk plain to you, though you may not agree with me, I never have had a secret from the Baptists of North Carolina and I never intend to have a secret from you and if you don't like this you had better get some one else in my place. In the next place I fear we will forget God through prosperity. We are enjoying prosperity but we still need money to carry on our work. I never have tried half what I have not seen him. If God continues to prosper us we must honor Him more and more. In the next place I fear the Laymen's Movement in the enthusiasm for foreign missions will ignore home and State missions, I rejoice in the remembrance when a representative of the Laymen's Movement appeared before this convention ten years ago disapproval in a decided manner. Look what State missions has done in all parts of our State. Every church in the State that is now able to entertain this convention has received aid from the Board and two-thirds of the money which comes back to the State Mission Board, comes from churches which the Board has aided in the past. Nine years ago when I first took up this work as your secretary only \$13,000 was given to this cause and \$5,000 of that amount came from the Home Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention. During the nine years that have passed since then, the contributions to this cause have increased until at this convention, we report more than \$41,000 without one cent having come from the Home Mission Board. We need to cultivate intensively. Today we give \$4 where we gave \$1 in 1871."

Rev. B. A. McFarland announced that in Farmville a church had been built upon which a debt of \$1,500 rests and that one man in that place had offered to give to the convention in his will \$5,000, he to pay the Convention 6 per cent. from now until his death with which to establish a building fund, provided the convention pay on the debt or \$1,500 now on the church.

Rev. Bayless Cade offered a resolution that the State Mission Board be instructed to pay this debt and that no collection be taken on the convention floor. The taking of a collection he said would be setting a dangerous precedent. An amendment to this resolution was passed recommending that a collection in cash and subscriptions be taken for this cause on the convention floor. The collection amounted to more than \$600 and was closed at that after a resolution that Rev. Livingston Johnson pay the remainder of the debt from the State Mission Board.

The report on State Missions was then adopted.
Rev. Braxton Craig in his remarks on State Missions said: "Baptist people are a peculiar people; they have never thrived well when they have tried to co-operate with other folks. We Baptist have distinctive doctrines and must teach them. We must do this if we as a denomination are to do our best work. We are peculiar and I am glad we are that way."
The morning session at 12:45 o'clock adjourned, Rev. J. J. Hall pronouncing the benediction.

Afternoon Session.
President Dowd called the afternoon session to order at 2:30. E. F. Ayette offered a resolution that no nominating speeches exceeding 30 seconds in length be allowed on the floor of this convention at any future session of the body. The resolution was adopted. Archibald Johnson offered a resolution committing the approval of this convention to the Stonewall Jackson Training School at Concord in the excellent work it is doing in reforming wayward youths. His resolution was adopted. Another resolution was adopted commending the work of the State Board of Health in its effort to stamp out tuberculosis. A letter was read from Rev. E. M. Jordan, now more than 80 years of age and who lives at Calvert, in Transylvania county. He is the oldest member of the convention and sent words of greeting to this meeting and expressing his regret at not being able to attend in person. Livingston Johnson offered the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved: That hereafter no collection shall be taken on the floor of this convention for building a house of worship on a mission field or for paying any debt on such church, but all aid given to any mission field for building or paying for a house of worship shall be appropriated to the executive committee of the State Mission Board out of any church building fund it may have on hand."

Rev. S. H. Shuck, a son of the first Baptist missionary to go out from North Carolina to China, was recognized and spoke to the convention. F. P. Hobgood read the report of the orphanage which after able discussion was adopted. Rev. M. L. Kesler, superintendent of the orphanage, spoke of the work and the needs of the institution. He emphasized especially the urgent need of more dormitories in order to provide rooms for a large number of orphans who want to come to the institution, but who cannot now be accommodated because there is no room to accommodate them. Rev. J. W. Lynch, of Durham, delivered an able and touching address on "The Orphanage," his plea being heard by one of the largest audiences that has assembled during any session of the convention. The convention joined in singing, "Blessed Be The Tie That Binds," at the close of the address.

The next special order was the Laymen's Movement and the speakers were Rev. J. L. White and Mr. F. D. Brown, of Greensboro; Prof. J. D. Henderson, representative of the movement from the Southern Baptist Convention, and Mr. J. H. Tucker, of Asheville. All of the addresses were enthusiastic and earnest and were heard with interest.

Laymen's Movement.
During the time devoted to the consideration of the laymen's movement at this afternoon's session of the convention, Rev. D. B. Gray, Home Mission Secretary of the Southern Baptist Convention, questioned the speakers regarding the emphasis which the laymen's movement places upon foreign missions, while calling no attention whatever to the importance of home missions and State missions. He said this seeming neglect of State and home missions was an unfortunate oversight, that if continued would react unfavorably upon the mission work of the Baptist denomination.

The speakers for the laymen's movement referred to the inter-denominational district meeting of the laymen's movement which is to be held in Greensboro January 12th, 13th and 14th, at which meeting it is expected several hundred laymen will be present. J. H. Tucker urged the convention, from the standpoint of a layman, to larger gifts to State and home missions. In this connection he said: "With all of our Baptist brag over increase in church membership and increase in gifts to State missions, figures show that the per capita contribution to this cause is not more than 20 cents."

Home and State Missions.
Dr. Gray addressed the convention tonight in the interest of Home and State missions. He referred again to the fact that the laymen's movement is what he called "lopsided" in its view of the evangelization of the world, because it does not include home and State missions in the large emphasis it is laying on foreign missions.

State missions, he said, has made the largest progress in every State in the South and foreign missions to succeed, must be backed by Home and State missions. Speaking of the rapid growth of Baptists in the South, Dr. Gray said the South belongs to Baptists, due to the providence of God and the conviction of man. Dr. Gray was heard by a very large audience and the address was pronounced one of the best from every standpoint that has been delivered during the convention.

Rev. W. N. Johnson, pastor at Wake Forest, followed Dr. Gray, the theme of his address being Home Missions.

BANK REDUCES DISCOUNT.
Improvement in Money Matters Caused Action of Bank of England.
London, Dec. 9.—The monetary position and the gold reserve improved so noticeably during the past month that the Bank of England today found itself able to reduce the rate of discount half of 1 per cent. to 4-1-2. The directors of the bank apparently had some difficulty in reaching a decision, as the meeting was in session longer than usual.

CONGRESS TO ACT

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more progressive citizens of the middle West and on the Pacific coast. Senator Burton, of Ohio, who, avoiding taking issue with those who advocated a bond issue reminded them that he had conspired of "don'ts" for them to remember. He admonished them not to allow any sectionalism to enter into their efforts for waterway improvement. He defended Congress against the charge of nigardness in regard to harbor improvement saying that in 14 years, 11 of which he was a member of the Rivers and Harbors committee of the House, Congress had appropriated \$300,000,000 for that purpose which was more than had ever been devoted to a similar purpose in an equal amount of time by any Nation.

J. A. Calliman, chairman of the New York Canal Commission, indicated his dissatisfaction with what the National government had done for waterway improvement by showing that while Congress had appropriated \$40,000,000 for such work in New York, the State itself had appropriated \$350,000,000 for that purpose.

Herbert Knox, commissioner of corporations, delivered an address. Other addresses during the day were by President Cameron, of the Farmers National Congress, ex-Governor McMillan, of Tennessee; Frank Gates Allen, of Illinois; William C. Fitz, of Alabama; Dr. J. F. Crowell, of New York; F. W. Johnson, of the United Commercial Travelers of America, and Representative John Small, of North Carolina.

Beneath Cameron Speaker.
President Cameron promised the delegates that the farmers of the country were in the fight for better waterways until the finish. Former Governor McMillan also made a strong plea for the improvement of the rivers and harbors.

URGE LURTON'S NOMINATION

Friends of Tennessee Judge Called on Taft Yesterday.

Washington, Dec. 9.—Friends of Judge Horace H. Lurton, of Tennessee, called on President Taft today to urge his nomination as Associate Justice of the United States Supreme Court. The President gave no indication as to what he would do in the matter. The callers included Senator Taylor, of Tennessee, Bankhead and Johnson, of Alabama, and Newell Sanders, Republican chairman of Tennessee. Judge John W. Warrington, of the same circuit as Judge Lurton, is a guest at the White House and the President is understood to have conferred with him.

DENOUNCE TAFT AND KNOX

For Action of the United States Toward Nicaragua.

Mexico City, Dec. 9.—Fifty members of the various colonies in the Central American Republics here met tonight at a private residence and at a late hour adopted resolutions denouncing President Taft, Secretary Knox and the United States toward Nicaragua.

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ANOTHER LARGE SERIES of stock was opened Saturday by the Peoples Building and Loan Association. Those desiring stock in this, the 12th series, should get same at once, books open this week only. D. R. Pester, secretary and treasurer, office 206 Princess street. de 5 1t.

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